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ASSEMBLY AFFAIRS.

ANNAPOLIS, *February* 26, 1754.

AFTERNOON the General Aſſembly met.

Of the Lower Houſe appeared the Honourable Speaker and 39 other Members.

Two of the Gentlemen of the Lower Houſe, were ſent to acquaint his Excellency the Governor, that a ſufficient Number of Members were met, to compoſe a Houſe. [*Not leſs than* 30 *make a Houſe; the whole Number for the Province is* 58.]

One of the Gentlemen from the Upper Houſe acquainted Mr. Speaker, that his Excellency the Governor required the Attendance of the Lower Houſe immediately in the Upper Houſe.

Mr. Speaker, and the Houſe, went to the Upper Houſe, where his Excellency made a Speech to both Houſes. [*Printed in laſt Week's Gazette*]

His Excellency delivered ſome Letters which he had received from the Governors at *Boſton*, *New-York*, and *Williamſburg*, as alſo one from the Lords of Trade; and the following Letter from the *French* Officer at the Fort near the *Ohio*, to the Governor of *Virginia*, viz.

Monſieur,

COMME j'ai l'honneur de Commander ici en Chef, Monſieur Waſhington m'a remis la Lettre que vous etriviez au Commandant des Troupes Françoiſes. J'aurois été charmé que vous lui euſſier donné ordre, ou qu'il eût eté diſpoſé à ſe rendre en Canada, pour voir Monſieur notre General au quel il appartient mieux qu'à moi, de mettre au jour l'evidence, et la realité des droits du Roi mon Maitre ſur les Terres ſçituées le long de la Belle Riviere, et de conteſter les pretentions du Roi de la Grande Bretagne à cet egard.

Je vais a dreſſer votre Lettre à Monſieur le Marquis Duquiſne, ſa reponſe me ſervira de Loi, et ſ'il m'ordonne de vous la communiquer, je puis vous aſſurer, que je ne negligerai rien pour vous la faire tenir tres promptement.

Quant à la Sommation que vous me faites de me retirer, je ne me crois pas dans l'obligation de m'y rendre; quelques que puiſſent être vous Inſtructions, je ſuis ici en vertu des Ordre de mon General, et je vous prie, Monſieur, de ne pas douter un inſtant que je ſuis dans la conſtante Reſolution de m'y conformer avec toute l'exactitude, et la fermeté que l'on peut attendre du meilleur Officier.

J'ignore que dans le cours de cette Campagne il je ſoit rien paſſé qui puiſſe être reputé pour acte d'Hoſtilité, ny qui ſoit contraire aux Traitez qui ſubſiſte entre les deux Couronnes, dont la continuation nous intereſſe, et nous flatte autant que Meſſieurs les Anglois. S'il vous eût eté agreable, Monſieur, d'en venir ſur ce point à un detail particulier des faits qui motivent votre plainte, j'aurois eu l'bonneur de vous le repondre de la façon la plus poſitive, et je ſuis perſuadé que vous auriez eu lieu d'etre ſatisfait.

Je me ſuis fait un devoir particulier de recevoir Monſieur Waſhington avec la diſtinction qui convient à votre dignité, à ſa qualité, et à ſon grand merite; je puis me flatter qu'il me rendra cette juſtice aupres de vous, Monſieur, et qu'il vous fera connoitre ainſi que moi le Reſpect profond avec le quel, Je ſuis, Monſieur,

Votre tres humble
et tres obeiſſant Serviteur,
LEGARDEUR DE ST. PIERRE.

Du Fort de la Riviere au Beuf,
15 *Decembre* 1753.

TRANSLATED INTO *ENGLISH*.

SIR,

AS *I have the Honour to Command in Chief here, Mr.* Waſhington *delivered me the Letter which you wrote to the Commander of the* French *Troops. It would have afforded me great Pleaſure, if you had given him Orders, or that he had himſelf been inclined to have proceeded to* Canada, *to ſee our General, to whom it belongs more properly than to me, to put in a clear Light, the Evidence and Reality of the Rights of the King my Maſter to the Lands ſituated on* Belle *River, and to conteſt the Pretenſions of the King of* Great Britain *in this Reſpect.*

I am going to addreſs your Letter to Monſieur the Marquis Duquiſne, *whoſe Anſwer ſhall be a Law to me, and if he orders me to communicate it to you, I can aſſure you, Sir, I will not neglect to tranſmit it to you, with all poſſible Expedition.*

As to the Summons you have given me to withdraw, I do not think myſelf under any Obligation to ſubmit to it; whatever your Inſtructions may be, I am here in Virtue of the Orders of my General, and I beſeech you, Sir, not to entertain the leaſt doubt of my conſtant Reſolution to conform to them, with all the Exactneſs and Firmneſs becoming a better Officer.

I do not know that in the Courſe of this Campaign any Thing has happened, which can be conſtrued an Act of Hoſtility, or contrary to the Treaties which ſubſiſt between the two Crowns, the Continuance of which concerns as much, and is as agreeable to us as to the Engliſh. *If you had been pleaſed, Sir, upon this Occaſion to have entered into a particular Detail of the Facts which are the Motives to your Complaint, I ſhould have had the Honour of anſwering you in the moſt poſitive Manner, and I am perſuaded, that you would have had Room to have been ſatisfied.*

I have made it a particular Duty, to receive Mr. Waſhington *with that Diſtinction which is ſuitable to your Dignity, his own Rank and great Merit; I flatter myſelf that he will do me the Juſtice to acknowledge this to you, and that he will inform you as well as I of the profound Reſpect with which I am,* Sir, &c.

The Houſe Ordered, That a Writ of Election ſhould be iſſued, directed to the Sheriff of *Kent* County, to elect a Member in the Room of Mr. *William Raſin*, who, ſince laſt Seſſion, has accepted the Office of Sheriff of that County.

The Houſe continued the Committees which were laſt Seſſion.

Then the Houſe adjourn'd.

Wedneſday, *February* 27.

The Governor's Speech, and the Letters, were again Read.

An Addreſs to the Governor, was ordered to be prepared.

Poſt Meridiem. Two more Members appeared.

The Addreſs was brought in, read, approved, and ordered to be ingroſſed: And after Ingroſſing, was preſented to his Excellency by Mr. *Key*, and Fourteen other Members. [*Printed in our laſt Gazette.*]

The Houſe adjourn'd.

Thurſday, *February* 28.

Some Letters were laid before the Houſe; which the Committee of Elections and Privileges were ordered to make Enquiry into, and report the Facts to the Houſe.

The Houſe having conſider'd that Part of his Excellency's Speech, which relates to the Governor of *Virginia*'s Letter to him, and alſo the ſaid Letter,

The Queſtion was put, Whether the Houſe will now proceed to grant Supplies for raiſing Men in Purſuance of the aforeſaid Letter, or Not? *Reſolved, Nemine Contradicente*, in the Negative.

On conſidering the Letter from the Lords of Trade and Plantations, the Queſtion was put, Whether a Sum of Money be raiſed to make a Preſent to the Six Nations of *Indians* on their Meeting at *Albany* next *June*, or Not? *Reſolved* in the Affirmative. And a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly.

Poſt Meridiem. Five more Members appeared in the Houſe.

The Governor communicated to the Houſe, his Anſwer to their Addreſs of Yeſterday. [*Printed in the laſt Gazette.*]

The Houſe adjourn'd.

Friday, *March* 1.

A Bill was brought in, entituled, *An Act for his Majeſty's Service.*

The Queſtion was put, Whether *One* or *Two* of the Lower Houſe ſhould be inſerted in the ſaid Bill, as Commiſſioners to meet the *Indians* at *Albany*, &c. Carried for *Two*. Yeas 31. Nays 16

Poſt Meridiem. The Bill,——*For his Majeſty's Service*, was read the firſt and ſecond Time, by eſpecial Order, Paſſed, and was ſent up.

The Houſe adjourn'd.

Saturday, *March* 2.

A Report from the Committee of Elections and Privileges was brought in. [*The Occaſion of this Report, was ſome Letters laid before the Houſe on* Thurſday *from one of the Gentlemen of the Houſe, complaining of a Breach of Privilege, in being detain'd from the Houſe by an Arreſt.*] The Report ſets forth, That that Committee had found, that the Gentleman complaining, was arreſted by the Sheriff of *Queen Anne's* County, on or before the ſecond of *February*.

The Houſe concurr'd with the Report.

Poſt Meridiem. The Governor communicated to the Houſe, the following Meſſage, viz.

Gentlemen of the Lower Houſe of Aſſembly,

LEST a Report, which has been propagated here, of the *Virginians* ſhewing the greateſt Backwardneſs in making Proviſion for an Expedition to *Ohio*, ſhould retard your Deliberations on that Affair, I take the Liberty to acquaint you, that I have received certain Information of a Bill's having paſſed both Branches of the Legiſlature of that Province, laſt Saturday, whereby the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds was granted, for the Encouragement of Adventurers, in that important Enterprize. HOR°. SHARPE.

Then the Houſe adjourn'd till Monday Morning.

[To be continued in our next.]

LONDON, December 20.

Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman at Huelva *to his Friend at* Cadiz. *Tranſlated from the* Spaniſh.

Dear Sir,

ON the Information of ſome Boatmen, who lay at the Entrance of our Bar, that a ſtrange Veſſel was aground at low Water upon the Shoals, which anſwered the Deſcription of one that had plundered an Iriſh Brig, and murdered the Crew, Peter Velez and Joſeph Morena reſolved to go in a Long Boat and take a View of her: In boarding her, they found her to be a Caravel, or Portugueſe Bark, and that her Crew conſiſted of five Perſons, viz. an Engliſhman, a Negro, a Moor, a Spaniard, and a Portugueſe, who was the Commander. This mixt Crew gave them great Suſpicions; therefore, by pretending to offer them ſome Refreſhment in their Boat, they endeavoured to ſeparate them, but thro' their extreme Caution, found it ineffectual; and after getting a Sight of their Bill of Health, and Paſſport, ſigned by Don D. M. Corte Real, Secretary to the Marine of the King of Portugal, left them.

This Diſcovery, and the great Number of Fire Arms they had on board, ſerved only to confirm the Boatmen that they were the Pirates they had received Intelligence of. Accordingly two Long-Boats were fitted out, with two ſmall Guns, four Blunderbuſſes, and ſome Muſkets, with which they began to fire the Inſtant the Caravel was hoiſting Sail, in order to eſcape. However, the Wind and Current keeping them in with the Shore, they were under a Neceſſity of ſtanding an Engagement, which continued three Hours, when one of the Long Boats, by a lucky Shot, brought their Main maſt by the Board, and her Men immediately

ly jumping on the Deck of the Bark; the Engliſh man and the Captain threw themſelves into the Sea, with their Piſtols and Cutlaſſes in Hand, and ſwam aſhore.

The 10th Inſt. the three Priſoners were brought into this Port, and ſecured in our Jail, the Moor being dangerouſly wounded; their Fire Arms they threw overboard when they ſaw their Deſtat accompliſhing by the above very fortunate Shot.

Proper Orders were immediately diſpatched for apprehending the two who had eſcaped, and in ſix Days they were taken at Almendzo, four Leagues from the Confines of Portugal, and brought Priſoners hither.——The Captain, whoſe Name is Juan Deroſta Pinto, had about him, in Spaniſh, Engliſh and Portugal Coin, to the Value of 380 Dollars: He was born at Viana in Portugal, and deſcended from a good Family, is about 30 Years of Age, and two Years ſince married Donna Maria Thereſa Roſſi, and had with her 4000 Dollars; he has had an exceeding good Education; he learnt Navigation in London, had a compleat Library in his Cabin, had conſiderable Experience in the late War in Naval Affairs, but was diſtinguiſhed for his Barbarity and Cruelty to the Captives, who were unfortunate enough to be taken by him.

He ſeems very penitent, and has made the following Confeſſion; declaring his Deſire to pay with his own, the many Lives he has wantonly taken away without the leaſt Provocation. The Account he gives of himſelf is to this Effect.——That being at Liſbon without any Employment, he got together nine others that had been guilty of Murder, and were Italian and Portugueſe Deſerters, who, with one Engliſhman, agreed to go on a pirating Expedition, and on the 10th of Auguſt laſt ſet ſail in the above Bark from the Bar of Liſbon; the 12 h they met a French Ship, which appeared to be too ſtrong for them; but on the Afternoon of the ſame Day, coming up with an Iriſh Brig, which proved to be the Chriſtopher, John Herron, Maſter, from Maliga for Dublin, aſked them how many Hands they had on board; and were anſwered 9 or 10. Pinto ſwore in Engliſh, that he would board them that Night.

He then called for a Bottle of Brandy, and gave each of his Crew a Dram, and in the Duſk of the Evening came a long ſide the Brig, when one of the Italians pretending to ſpeak in the Mooriſh Language, they boarded them Sword in Hand. Deroſta ſays, at this Inſtant he ſaw a Stream of Fire in the Sky that caſt a Light on the whole Sea, which threw him into ſuch a Fright, he was undetermined whether he ſhould board them; but being preſſed by his Companions, they attacked the Defenceleſs Iriſh, who all quietly ſubmitted, ſaying only, "Gentlemen, what have we done that you ſhould kill us?"

After they had bound eight of them, which they ſubmitted to without the leaſt Oppoſition, they began to be afraid that two Portugueſe Paſſengers, whom they had left in their Bark, might diſcover them; wherefore calling to them, told them their Deſign, and that if they did not come into it, they would take proper Methods with them; but the Portugueſe accepted their Invitation with Eagerneſs, offered to go Hand in Hand with them, and to ſhew how compleatly villainous they were qualified for their Company, took up an Iriſh Boy, wrapt him in a Sheet, and threw him overboard. The eight poor Iriſh were all ſerved in the ſame Manner, crying out moſt dolefully, till they were drowned, "Lord forgive them who are guilty of our Deaths, and treat us ſo inhumanly!"——

The Mate was an Eye Witneſs of this unheard of Spectacle, being promiſed Life; but Pinto ſoon altered his Mind, and throwing him into the Sea after his Ship Mates, fell to rifling the Brig of her Gold and Silver, and laſhing the Tiller faſt, diſmiſſed her, ſetting ſail for St. Lucar to change his Silver.——The Brig was fallen in with the next Day by a Catalan Bark, Felix Pablo, Maſter, bound to Ferrol, who carried her into Faro, and delivered her to the Engliſh and Spaniſh Conſuls, claiming a third Part of the Value as Salvage, being loaden with Wines, and upwards of 100 Tons Burthen.

Pinto arrived at St. Lucar the 14th, at five in the Evening, where he was deſerted by almoſt all his Crew; and having decoyed one George Dean, an Engliſh Seaman, into his Service, under Pretence of going to Gibraltar, to purchaſe a Portugueſe Veſſel that had been taken by the Moors, he ſet ſail again with three others of his Deſperadoes.—Dean ſoon found he was on a contrary Courſe to what he expected, and off Retta inſiſting to be put aſhore, immediately they tied a great Stone about his Neck and threw him overboard.

Soon after they met an Engliſh Brig, from the River of Seville, which they wanted to board, and followed her all Day; but the Brig ſuſpected their Deſign, and threatened them with a warm Reception.

Off Cape Traffelar they boarded an Engliſh Schooner, loaden with Barley, from whom they took a Caſk of Water and ſome Beer, having nothing elſe worth their Acceptance. Pinto and his Villains were very deſirous to put theſe poor People out of their Way, as they had done the others, but being ſo poor a Prize, waved putting their Deſigns in Execution.

At his Arrival at Terriff, he went on ſhore, but returned on board in a Hurry, having murdered a Man, (who, he ſays, attempted to rob him) by giving the poor Wretch ſo many Stabs with a Knife, that the Handle remained in his Hand, and the Blade in the Body of the Deceaſed. He brought a Negro on board with him, who was a Slave to the Adminiſtrator of Tobacco, and the fifth Perſon of this infernal Gang. He then directed his Courſe for Liſbon, but hearing at Mente Gordo that two of his Aſſociates, who left him at St Lucar, were taken up, he altered his Mind, and came to the Bar of this Place as above.

I am, Sir, &c.

December 22. *We hear from Biceſter, Oxfordſhire, that laſt Friday Night, having received an Account, that the Repeal of the Jew Bill was ſign'd by the King, they continued ringing of Bells all Day on Saturday, and at Night near ALL the principal Inhabitants aſſembled at the King's Arm's; where Joy ſeem'd to be expreſs'd by every Countenance, except* one or two, *who were a little* dull. *The firſt Health that was drank was, Thanks to Sir James Daſhwood, for his ſucceſsful Endeavours towards the ſaid Repeal; after that, Thanks to Lord Harley, Sir James Daſhwood, and the reſt of that glorious* Minority, *who were for preventing any ill Conſequences for the future; and alſo to put an End to what ſome Jews have lately advanced, (That they could acquire a Power of purchaſing Lands, by being born in England) by repealing what belong'd to the Jews in the Act paſſed in* 1740; *and by adding a Clauſe to the above Bill, That the Jews ſhould by no Means ever acquire a Power either to purchaſe or inherit. While they were celebrating the Night within Doors, a Half Hogſhead of Ale was given to the Populace, who were* numerous, *and* unanimous *in their Cries,* No Jews; No Naturaliza ion; *but* Wenman and Daſhwood for ever; *and were juſt retur n'd to a Bonfire on the Market-Hill, from a Proceſſion round the Town with the Effigy of a* Jew, *who they named* Ned. *A Jew was alſo fix'd in the Middle of the Bonfire. The Whole was concluded to the Satisfaction of every Body. The Illuminations were the largeſt ever known at Biceſter.*

A Perſon of Character who arrived laſt Week from Paris brought the following Account of an extraordinary Affair that happened lately at Rouen: A Gentleman for whom the People of that City had a great Regard being in his laſt Agonies, was deſirous of receiving the Sacraments; but the Prieſt who was called for that Purpoſe, abſolutely refuſed to adminiſter them, becauſe the Sick Man would not declare his Aſſent to the Conſtitution Unigenitus; and ſtood by the Gentleman's Fireſide perſiſting in his Refuſal till he ſaw him expire: Which being told to the People, who waited to know the Event, they ſeized the uncharitable Bigot as ſoon as he appeared, and tore him to Pieces. After this they continued aſſembled the whole Day; and next Morning a written Paper was found paſted on the Door of the Houſe where the Gentleman died, containing theſe Words: Let the Parliament find Heads, and the People will find Hands. *Afterwards the ſame Advertiſement was ſtuck up in Print in moſt Public Places.*

Letters from Dublin of the 15th, ſay, that by the late great Froſts and Snow, and by the heavy Rains that followed, many Rivers overflowed their Banks, and particularly the Liffey, by which ſeveral Ships received great Damage, by running foul of one another; others drove out to Sea, as many more would have done, had it not been for a large Dutch Veſſel that ſunk in the middle of the River, near Ringſend: Several Sailors were cruſhed to Death among theſe Ships; and it was much feared that they ſhould hear from other Parts of great Damages done by Floods, and of human Creatures and Cattle being drowned.

The Damages of the above Ships, ſmall Veſſels and Boats, are computed at many Thouſand Pounds, beſides many Lives loſt and Limbs broken.

Cork, Dec. 11. *We hear that a Veſſel, laden with Rum for Dublin, was burned by Negligence of the Men, in drawing ſome Spirits ſo near a lighted Candle, that they took Fire. The Crew got ſafe in their Boat to Wicklow.*

Navan, Dec. 12. *The Floods here are greater than the oldeſt Man can remember: Laſt Night the further Arch of the new Bridge over the Boyne was carried away; this Morning the nearer Arch underwent the ſame Fate; and we hourly expect the Deſtruction of the Remainder. One Man is miſſing; the Roads are in ſome Parts impaſſable for Carriages, and the Mills and Houſes on the Bank have ſuſtained the greateſt Damage.*

WILLIAMSBURG.

The SPEECH of the Honourable *ROBERT DINWIDDIE*, Eſq; Lieutenant Governor, and Commander in Chief, of the Colony and Dominion of *Virginia*, to the General Aſſembly of the ſaid Province, on Thurſday the 14th of *February*, 1754.

Gentlemen of the Council, Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Houſe of Burgeſſes,

NOTHING leſs than a very important Concern, could have induced me to call you together again, after ſo ſhort a Receſs; but the Dignity of the Crown of *Great Britain*, the Welfare of all the Colonies on this Continent, and more eſpecially of this Dominion, engage me to have your Advice and Aſſiſtance in an Affair of the greateſt Conſequence.

Major *Waſhington*, who was ſent by me to the Commandant of the *French* Forces on the River *Obio*, being returned, informs me he found that Officer at a Fort they had erected on a Creek running into the *Obio*, and that they were then preparing all Neceſſaries for building another Fort on that River; that they had Two Hundred and Twenty Canoes made, and many more rough hewed, to be made, in order to tranſport, early this Spring, a great Number of regular Forces, not leſs than Fifteen Hundred Men, with their Indians in Friendſhip with them, down the River *Obio*, in order to build many more Fortreſſes on it; and they propoſed *Loggs Town* to be the chief Place of their Rendezvous.

Major *Waſhington* further reports, That he aſked why they had ſeized the Goods of our Traders, and ſent their Perſons Priſoners to *Canada*; to which the Commandant anſwered, "That his Or-"ders from their General, the Governor of *Cana-*"*da*, were, *Not to permit any* Engliſh *Subjects to* "*trade on the Waters of the* Ohio, *but to ſeize* "*their Goods, and ſend them Priſoners to* Quebec." He alſo aſked the Reaſon of taking Mr. *Frazier's* Houſe from him, which he had built and lived in upwards of Twelve Years? He ſaid, "That Man "was lucky that he had made his Eſcape, or he "would have ſent him Priſoner to *Canada*."

Theſe Tranſactions are entirely inconſiſtent with the Treaties ſubſiſting between the two Crowns, and contrary to my Inſtructions from his Majeſty, whereby I am directed to prevent any Foreign Power, ſettling or building any Fortreſſes on his Majeſty's Lands.

Add to the aforementioned unjuſtifiable Inſults of the *French*, the cruel and barbarous Murder, in cool Blood, of a whole Family in this Dominion, Man, Wife, and five Children, no longer ago than laſt Month; and very lately a poor Man on the South Branch of *Potowmack*, robbed of his Son. Theſe Depredations were ſaid to be done by the *French* Indians, but if I be rightly informed, ſome of the *French* Subjects always go with the Indians, on theſe Incurſions, and are both privy to, and Inſtigators of, their Robberies and Murders.

How compaſſionate muſt then be the diſtreſsful Situation of that poor unhappy Family! ſurrounded by a Crowd of Miſcreants dreadfully ruſhing on to perpetrate the moſt ſavage Barbarities, inexorable to the Parent's Intreaties, inſenſible to the Cries of the tender Infant, baſely determined to deſtroy, without Provocation, thoſe who could not reſiſt their Violence.

Think you ſee the Infant torn from the unavailing Struggles of the diſtracted Mother, the Daughters raviſhed before the Eyes of their wretched Parents; and then, with Cruelty and Inſult, butchered and ſcalped. Suppoſe the horrid Scene compleated, and the whole Family, Man, Wife, and Children (as they were) murdered and ſcalped by theſe relentleſs Savages, and then torn in Pieces, and in Part devoured by wild Beaſts, for whom they were left a Prey by their more brutal Enemies.

But how muſt your Indignation riſe when you extend your View to the Abettors of theſe Villainies. Such are the People whoſe Neighbourhood you muſt now prevent, or with the moſt probable Expectation think to ſee, in the Boſom of your Country, theſe Evils, that you as yet have only the melancholy Tidings of from your Frontiers.

Conſider the bloody Villains, thieviſhly lurking about a Man's Plantation, and where they dare not attack like Men, baſely, like Vermin, ſtealing and carrying away the helpleſs Infant, that happened to wander, though but a little Diſtance from his Father's Threſhold.

I assure you, Gentlemen, these Insults on our Sovereign's Protection, and Barbarities on our Fellow-Subjects, make deep Impressions on my Heart; and I doubt not, as you must hear them with Horror and Resentment but you will enable me, by a full and sufficient Supply, to exert the most vigorous Efforts, to secure the Rights and assert the Honour and Dignity of our Sovereign; to drive away these cruel and treacherous Invaders of your Properties, and Destroyers of your Families, and thereby to gratify my warmest Wishes in establishing the Security and Prosperity of *Virginia*, on the most solid and permanent Foundations.

Gentlemen of the House of Burgesses,

I must earnestly recommend to you his Maj sty's Commands, for a proper Supply, the immediate Necessity whereof, at this Time, I desire you will seriously consider, and by a ready and effectual Compliance, recommend yourselves and the Country to his Royal Favour.

This is your Part, Gentlemen.——What I could, before your Meeting, I have done, for the Public; and by the Advice of the Council I have arrayed some Part of the Militia, which I have order'd up to the *Ohio* with all possible Expedition, to build a Fort there, at the Forks of *Monongahella*. And as his Majesty's gracious Present of Thirty Pieces of Cannon, Eighty Barrels of Powder, and other Ordnance Stores suitable, are arriv'd, I have sent Ten of the Cannon, and a Proportion of Ammunition to *Alexandria*, to be from thence transported as soon as possible to the *Ohio*.

I have wrote to the neighbouring Colonies for their Aid and Assistance, which I have good Reason to expect; but I must observe to you, that their Eyes are fix'd on your Proceedings, and I hope you will engage them, by a laudable Example, to contribute sufficiently for the common Cause.

The late Occasion having suggested to me some Defect in the *Act for making Provision against Invasions and Insurrections*, I think proper to observe to you, that the Pay is very unequally proportioned, being too high for the Soldier, and too low for the Officer; and there is no Provision made for a Doctor, a Commissary of Stores, and several other Requisites.——I think it would be better to pay the Militia in Money than Tobacco, by which there may be a Saving to the Country, and the Men better satisfied.

Gentlemen of the Council, and Gentlemen of the House of Burgesses,

I look upon the Safety and Welfare of *Virginia* to depend on your Councils and Determinations, at this critical Juncture, which therefore ought to be uninterrupted by any Avocations from Prejudice, or unseasonable Divisions, at all Times the Bane of public Consultations, but which, at present, would be particularly fatal; and I doubt not, when you seriously consider the Importance of what is laid before you, you will find Duty, Honour, and your own Preservation, all united, to engage you to exert your Efforts equal to the Occasion.

The Season for entering upon Action being so near at Hand, your Session can be but short, and I desire to conclude with an earnest Exhortation to Concord and Expedition, lest if we be divided or slow in Deliberation, our Enemies may seize the Time we lose, and render any future Efforts ineffectual.

And in all Measures for his Majesty's Service, and the Good of this Colony, you will have my ready and zealous Concurrence.

Virginia, ss.

By the Honourable ROBERT DINWIDDIE, Esq; his Majesty's Lieutenant Governor, and Commander in Chief, of the Colony and Dominion of *Virginia*:

A PROCLAMATION,

For encouraging MEN to enlist in his Majesty's Service for the Defence and Security of this Colony.

WHEREAS *it is determined that a Fort be immediately built on the River* Ohio, *at the Fork of* Monongahella, *to oppose any further Encroachments, or hostile Attempts of the* French, *and the* Indians *in their Interest, and for the Security and Protection of his Majesty's Subjects in this Colony; and as it is absolutely necessary that a sufficient Force should be raised to erect and support the same: For an Encouragement to all who shall voluntarily enter into the said Service, I do hereby notify and promise, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's Council of this Colony, that over and above their Pay, Two Hundred Thousand Acres, of his Majesty the King of* Great Britain's *Lands, on the East Side of the River* Ohio, *within this Dominion, (One Hundred Thousand Acres whereof to be contiguous to the said Fort, and the other Hundred Thousand Acres to be on, or near the River* Ohio) *shall be laid off and granted to such Persons, who by their voluntary Engagement, and good Behaviour in the said Service, shall deserve the same. And I further promise, that the said Lands shall be divided amongst them immediately after the Performance of the said Service, in a Proportion due to their respective Merit, as shall be represented to me by their Officers, and held and enjoyed by them without paying any Rights, and also free from the Payment of Quit Rents, for the Term of Fifteen Years. And I do appoint this Proclamation to be read and published at the Court Houses, Churches and Chapels in each County within this Colony, and that the Sheriffs take Care the same be done accordingly.*

Given at the Council Chamber in Williamsburg, *on the 19th Day of* February, *in the 27th Year of his Majesty's Reign*, Annoque Domini 1754.

ROBERT DINWIDDIE.

GOD Save the KING.

February 8. By a Gentleman from *Augusta*, we have the melancholly Account, That *Robert Foyle*, of that County, living at the Head of *Monongahella* River, a Branch of *Mississippi*, together with his Wife and five Children, the youngest about ten Years old, were found all murdered and scalped the 4th of last Month, supposed to have been done by the *Indians* about two Months before.

ANNAPOLIS.

Capt. Coolidge, *in the* Wilson, *and Capt.* Scougall, *in the* ——, *are arrived in* Patuxent, *from* London.

The General Assembly of this Province is yet sitting.

Custom House, Annapolis, *Enter'd since* Feb 7.

Shallop Rawleigh, Thomas Grant, from York;
Schooner Charles, Thomas Palmer, from Hampton;
Schooner James, Joseph Crow, from N. Carolina.

Cleared for Departure,

Brig John and James, Thomas Allen, for Newry;
Schooner Mermaid, Job Dennen, for Halifax;
Schooner Charles, Thomas Palmer, for Hampton.

THE Managers of the *Baltimore* LOTTERY, hereby give Notice, That they will certainly draw it, on Tuesday the 30th of *April* ensuing.

N. B. A few of the Tickets are yet to be Sold at the POST OFFICE in *Annapolis*. 2

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mrs. *Priscilla Woodward*, near the Head of *South* River, in *Anne-Arundel* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Black Horse, has no perceivable Brand, but has two white Spots on the off Side of his Back, and another white Spot on his Neck near his Withers, and a bushy Tail.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges. pd. 1

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *William Hillary* in *Prince George's* County, near *Bladensburg*, taken up as a Stray, a Black Mare, branded with a Heart on her near Shoulder, about 12 Hands and a half high: She has a Colt with her about 8 Months old.

The Owner may have them again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges. 1 pd

ANDREW BUCHANAN,

PERUKE-MAKER,

HAVING lately purchased a large Quantity of all Sorts of the best of *English* HAIRS, will make WIGS of all Fashions, from One Guinea to Four Guineas Price. And any Gentlemen who are pleased to favour him with their Custom, may depend on being served with Fidelity and Care, by

Their humble Servant,

4 *Andrew Buchanan.*

N. B. Any Wig Makers may be supplied with Hairs, by the Pound, or Ounce, by the said *Buchanan*, at a very reasonable Price.

THE Subscriber hereby gives Notice, That he intends to apply to his Excellency the Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, for an Act of Insolvency.

X *Jasper Hall.*

JUST PUBLISHED,

(Containing 84 Pages in Folio),

And to be Sold by the Printer hereof,

THE LAWS made at the last Session of Assembly.

Baltimore County, *Feb.* 18. 1754.

WHEREAS BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Esq; of *Philadelphia*, has constituted me his Attorney in Fact, for the Western Shore of this Province, for transacting his Affairs: This is therefore to require all Persons indebted to him, on this Side of the Bay, to make speedy Payment of their respective Debts, else they must expect Trouble, from

Their humble Servant,

William Young. 3

MARY SALISBURY,

PROPOSES keeping SCHOOL in *Annapolis*, at the House where Mr. *Sparrow* lived, near the Church, to Teach young LADIES FRENCH, and all Sorts of fine NEEDLE WORK, TAPESTRY, EMBROIDERY with Gold and Silver, and every other CURIOUS WORK which can be performed with a Needle, and all Education fit for young LADIES, except Dancing. 3

N. B. She will take in young LADIES to Board, and proposes to open School the 25th of *March*. Those young LADIES who intend to be her Scholars, are desired to leave their Names at the PRINTING OFFICE.

TO BE SOLD,

THE Dwelling-House and Lot where *Robert Gordon*, Esq; lately deceased, lived; as also the House where Mr. *William Thornton* now lives, and the Warehouses adjoining, with all the Improvements on the said Lot, for Sterling or Currency, by 3

Agnes Gordon, Administratrix.

N. B. If the said Houses and Lot, are not soon Sold, they will be Let.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Possession of *Solomon Turner*, living on *Bennit's* Creek in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Gelding, branded on the off Shoulder and Buttock with TH (Bottom upwards, join'd in one), has a narrow Blaze in his Face, and a bob Tail; and had on a small Bell. X

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Possession of *William Herbert*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Horse, not branded, but has a small Star in his Forehead, and his hind Feet are white. X

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

RAN away from *Baltimore-Town*, in *Baltimore* County, on *Tuesday* the 5th of this Instant *February*, one *Martin Hoafman*, a *Dutchman*, by Trade a Shoemaker, is about 30 Years old, of a middle Size, a swarthy Complexion, has short black curl'd Hair, has a cast in his Eyes, and speaks very much. Had on when he went away, a grey Forest Cloth Coat with white Metal Buttons, a red Worsted Damask Jacket, a Pair of black Leather Breeches with black Glass Buttons, a Pair of blue Worsted Stockings, and new Pumps. He took away a small Grey Horse, branded on the left Shoulder T, and a black Leather Saddle with a yellow Leather Housing. He is supposed to be gone over *Potowmack*. Whoever takes up the said Man, and brings him to the Subscribers, shall have Ten Pounds Reward. 4

Vitus Hartway.

Andrew Stiger.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Joshua Bond*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Mare, with a Blaze down her Face, and her near hind Foot white. X

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

COMMITTED to the Cuſtody of the Sheriff of *Baltimore* County, ſome Time in *November* laſt, on Suſpicion of being a Runaway, a Perſon who called himſelf *John Bennit*; but now ſays his true Name is *Ralph Sincox*, and that he belongs to one Capt. *John Howard*, living in *Virginia*. He is of low Stature, Battle-Hamm'd, Blear Eyed, and a Sawyer by Trade.

His Maſter may have him, on paying his Imprſonment Fees, and the Charge of this Adverſiſement. *William Young.*

Frederick-Town, January 1, 1754.

THE Subſcriber hereby gives Notice, That he intends to apply to his Excellency the Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houſes of Aſſembly, for an Act of Inſolvency.

Thomas Reynolds.

To be Sold, for ready Money, or ſhort Credit.

THREE Lots of Ground, lying in *Annapolis*, and at preſent in the Poſſeſſion of Mr. *Richard Burdus*, with the Dwelling Houſe and Out Houſes, and all the other Improvements, ſuch as Paling, Fencing, &c. which at preſent are in good Repair.

For Title and Price apply to

Robert Swan.

N. B. The Houſes and Lots being formerly leaſed out at Twenty five Pounds *per Annum*, there are ſix Years of which yet to come.

February 5, 1754.

THE Subſcriber having farmed his Lordſhip's Quit Rents, which have ariſen and ſhall ariſe due in *Anne Arundel* County, from the 29th Day of *September* laſt 'til the 29th Day of *September*, 1755, doth hereby give Notice, That he will attend in the back Room of the Paper Currency Office, during the ſitting of the Provincial Courts, Aſſize Courts, and County Courts, to receive the ſame. His Lordſhip's Tenants are therefore deſired to be punctual in their Payments, foraſmuch as he has contracted to account with his Lordſhip's Agent every Half Year, he will be obliged to take all legal Ways and Means for the collecting of the Rents as they become due.

Richard Dorſey.

JOHN FINNEY,

Living in CHARLES TOWN, *in* MARYLAND,

MAKES and Mends all Sorts of CLOCKS and WATCHES, in the beſt and cheapeſt Manner; and likewiſe makes and mends all Sorts of Gold and Silver Work.

To be Sold, by Wholeſale, or in Parcels, by the Subſcribers, at Public Vendue, on Wedneſday *the 20th Day of* March *next, at the Houſe of the Widow* Sims, *in* Frederick-Town *in* Frederick *County, at* 3 *o'Clock in the Afternoon, for Sterling or Current Money, and Time given for the Payment, on giving Security, if required.*

THE following Tracts of Land, lying in *Frederick* County, *viz.*

Cragg Mill, containing 20 Acres, whereon is a Merchant's Water Mill, double geered, with Geers for two Pair of Stones, with a good Bolting Mill, the Houſe 30 Feet long and 20 Feet wide, new and in good Repair, with a ſtrong Stone Dam, ſtanding on *Linganore*, on the Main Road that leads from *Frederick Town* to *Annapolis* and *Baltimore Town*.

Friendſhip, containing 920 Acres.

The Land of Valleys, containing 264 Acres.

Braphears Choice, containing 45 Acres, all contiguous to the Water Mill aforeſaid.

A Tract of Land, called *Hope*, containing 50 Acres, lying in *Frederick* County aforeſaid.

And one other Tract, called *Bearhead*, containing 30 Acres, lying in *Anne-Arundel* County, on *Snowden's* River.

For Title apply to Mr. *William Cumming*, in *Annapolis*, who will attend the Sale.

Charles Grahame,
John Cooke.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subſcriber will give conſtant Attendance at his Office, in *Annapolis*, on every Wedneſday and Thurſday before the Tenth of *April* next, to receive all ſuch Money from the Inhabitants of this County as is due from them for Public Levies, or on any other Account, to

Their humble Servant,
Nathan Hammond, Sheriff
of *Anne Arundel* County.

INSPECTORS who are not, yet ſupplied with Books and Notes for the preſent Year, may be ſupplied with any Quantities on Application to

Jonas Green.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, on the 4th of *February* laſt, an Indented Servant Man, named *James Roberſon*, a *Scotchman*, about 25 Years of Age, a well ſet Fellow, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, has a large Scar under his left Eye, and a red Beard. Had on when he went away, an Oſnabrigs Shirt, a blue Pea Jacket, a Pair of black Cloth Breeches with Metal Buttons, a Pair of blue and white Cotton and Thread Stockings, and a Beaver Hat with a Patch near the Crown of it.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and brings him to his Maſter, living near *Weſt River*, ſhall have Thirty Shillings Reward, beſides what the Law allows, paid by

Anthony Smith.

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of the Rev. Mr. *John Lang*, late of *St. James's* Pariſh in *Anne-Arundel* County, deceaſed; and all thoſe indebted to the Eſtate of Mrs. *Margaret Lang* (Widow of the late Rev. Mr. *Lang*), deceaſed, are deſired to make ſpeedy Payment to the Subſcriber, to prevent Trouble: And all thoſe who have any legal Claims on either of the ſaid Eſtates, are deſired to bring them in to,

James Anderſon, Executor
to Mrs. *Margaret Lang*.

To be Sold by the Subſcriber,

FOUR Hundred Acres of choice Land, lying in *Calvert* County, about four Miles below *Lower Marlborough*, and a Mile and a half from the River, is well Timber'd, and the Bounds proved.

The Terms may be known by applying to

Francis Chew.

To be Sold by the Subſcriber,

GOOD *Weſt India* Rum, *Muſcovado* Sugar, Melaſſes, Coffee, Saſh Glaſs, 12 by 10, 11 by 9, 10 by 8, 6 by 4, and Diamond Glaſs, Linſeed-Oil, White Lead, and ſundry dry Goods, for Caſh, Pork, Beef, Corn, Wheat, Peaſe, Oats, or Parcels of good Tobacco.

Patrick Creagh.

Upper-Marlborough, January 28, 1754.

LEFT at the Subſcriber's Houſe in the Year 1749. or 1750, a ſmall Box marked I M, with a Figure of 4, and Crow's Foot between the Letters; in which are contained, a Piece of Printed Callico, Ten Yards of *Iriſh* Linnen pretty fine, and a Piece of Oſnabrigs.

The Owner may have them, on paying the Charge of this Advertiſement, and applying with the Bill of Loading, to

Benjamin Berry, junior.

TO BE SOLD,

A PARCEL of Land, lying in *Frederick* County, near the great Falls of *Potowmack* River, containing 200 Acres, being Part of a Tract of Land, called the *Addition to James*. Any Perſon inclin'd to purchaſe the ſame, may apply to Mr. *James Holmeard*, junior, who will ſhow the Land; and for Title and Terms apply to the Subſcriber, living at *Upper Marlborough* in *Prince George's* County.

Colmore Beanes.

TO BE SOLD,

For Money, Tobacco, Indian *Corn, Wheat, Pork, or Lumber,*

A GOOD SLOOP that will carry near 1000 Buſhels of Grain: She is well found with Sails, Rigging, Anchors, Cables, and all other Materials.

Kinſey Johns,
William Thornton.

N. B. Time for Payment will be given, on Security, if required.

Baltimore Town, November 6, 1753.

ALL Perſons indebted to Mr. *Rowland Carnan*, now on his Voyage to *England*, or to the Eſtate of Mr. *Charles Carnan*, of *London*, Merchant, are deſired to come and ſettle their Accounts forthwith; otherwiſe they muſt expect to be ſued for their reſpective Debts, at *March* Court.

And any Perſons having any juſt Claims or Demands on ſaid *Rowland Carnan*, or the Eſtate of ſaid *Charles Carnan*, are deſired to apply for Payment of the ſame, in *Baltimore Town*, from Monday to Friday in every Week; and at *Elk Ridge* Landing every Saturday, where Attendance will be given, by

Chamier and *Carnan*, Attorneys in Fact to Mr. *Rowland Carnan*, and to the Truſtees to the Eſtate of Mr. *Cha. Carnan*, of *London*.

JUST IMPORTED,

In the Ship BIDDEFORD, *Capt.* JOHN COLE, *from* BRISTOL, *and to be Sold by the Subſcriber, at his new Store, near the Dock, in* ANNAPOLIS,

AN Aſſortment of *European* and *Eaſt India* GOODS, at very reaſonable Rates, for Paper Money, Gold, or Bills of Exchange: He alſo Sells good *Barbadoes* RUM, at 4*s* 6*d. per* Gallon, SUGAR, at 8*d per* Pound, and Sour ORANGES, at 2*s. per* Dozen.

John Raitt.

A SCHEME of a ſmall LOTTERY;
For raiſing the Sum of 490 Pieces of Eight, for building a public Wharf at *Baltimore-Town*.

Numb. of Prizes.		*Pieces of Eight.*		*Total.*
2	of	100	are	200
3	of	50	are	150
3	of	30	are	90
6	of	20	are	120
10	of	15	are	150
20	of	10	are	200
50	of	5	are	250
612	of	3	are	1836
1	firſt drawn			7
1	laſt drawn			7
708 Prizes,				3010
1042 Blanks,				
1750 Tickets at 2 Pieces of Eight, are				3500
For the public Wharf				490

By this Scheme there is not one Blank and a half to a Prize.

As there is nothing more wanting than a public Wharf in the Town, where the Trade is greatly increaſed within a few Years, it is not to be doubted but People will readily Adventure in this Lottery, who are Well-wiſhers to the Proſperity of the Town and Province.

Many of the Tickets being already engaged, it is ſuppoſ'd the Lottery will be full in a very ſhort Time, of which public Notice will be given, and of the Time of Drawing.

A Liſt of the Prizes will be publiſhed in the *Maryland* Gazette, as ſoon as the Drawing is compleated.

The following Perſons are appointed Managers, who are to be under Oath, for the true Performance of their Truſt, *viz.* Meſſrs. *John Stevenſon, Richard Chaſe, John Moale, Charles Croxall, William Rogers, Nicholas Rogers, John Ridgely, N. Ruxton Gay, William Lux*, and *Brian Philpot*, jun.

Tickets to be had of any of the Managers, and at the POST-OFFICE, in *Annapolis*.

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THE [*Numb.* 462.]

MARYLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freſheſt Advices foreign and domeſtic.

THURSDAY, *March* 14, 1754.

(Continuation of the ASSEMBLY AFFAIRS, begun in our laſt.)

Monday, *March* 4, 1754.

THE Houſe met; three of the Members who were preſent on Saturday, being abſent.

The Houſe adjourn'd.

Tueſday, *March* 5.

An Addreſs to the Governor, was brought in, read, approved, and ordered for Ingroſſing, viz.

To his Excellency HORATIO SHARPE, Eſq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland.

The humble ADDRESS of the Houſe of DELEGATES.

May it pleaſe your Excellency,

WE have taken into our ſerious Conſideration the Matters propoſed in your Excellency's Speech, and as we are ſufficiently ſenſible of how great Importance it is to cultivate the Friendſhip of the *Indians*, have agreed, in Purſuance of the Recommendation of the Lords Commiſſioners for Trade and the Plantations, to raiſe a Sum of Money, for Purchaſing ſuitable Preſents to be delivered to the Six Nations, by the Commiſſioners who are to be charged with the Renewal of the Covenant Chain with them.

The Ways and Means fallen upon, on this Occaſion, as they are the moſt effectual and agreeable to the Circumſtances of our Conſtituents, we reſt aſſured, will not want your Excellency's Concurrence and Approbation.

We have conſidered the Requiſition of the Governor of *Virginia*, and your Excellency's Meſſage of the 2d Inſtant, with due Attention: And are fully convinced, that our own Security is connected with the Safety of our Neighbours, and that in Caſe of an Attack we ought mutually to aſſiſt and ſupport each other: But as it does not appear to us that any Invaſion or hoſtile Attempt has been made againſt this, or any other of his Majeſty's Colonies, we do not think it neceſſary to make any Proviſion for an armed Force, which muſt inevitably load us with great Expence, and which cannot, as we conceive, under the Reſtrictions of the Royal Order, ſignified by the Earl of *Holderneſſe*'s Letter to your Excellency, effectually Co operate, except in Caſe of an Invaſion, with that of any other Co ony.

The Addreſs was preſented by ſix of the Members.

A Report from the Committee of Grievances, relating to the Growth of Popery in this Province, was brought in.

On a Motion relating to 3000 Acres of Land, formerly laid out by an Act of Aſſembly, on *Broad* Creek in *Somerſet* County, for the Uſe of the *Nanticoke Indians*; it was Ordered, That the Members for *Somerſet* County, make an Enquiry into the Affair, and Report the ſame next Seſſion.

On Reading the Report from the Committee of Grievances, the Queſtion was put, Whether the Houſe concurs therewith, or Not? Carried in the Affirmative. Yeas 41. Nays 3

Then an Addreſs to his Excellency, on the ſubject Matter therein contained, was ordered to be prepared.

A Bill,——*Supplementary to the Act for amending the Staple*, &c. was read the firſt Time.

Then the Houſe adjourn'd.

Wedneſday, *March* 6.

On reading the Addreſs to the Governor, which was ordered to be prepared Yeſterday Afternoon, the Queſtion was put, Whether the latter Part of it ſhould be left out, or Not? Carried in the Negative. Nays 29, Yeas 14.

The Addreſs was ordered to be ingroſſed.

Poſt Meridiem. The following Addreſs to the Governor, was preſented by Mr. *Murdock* and 13 other Members, *viz.*

To his Excellency HORATIO SHARPE, Eſq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland.

The humble ADDRESS of the Houſe of DELEGATES.

May it pleaſe your Excellency,

WE, his Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Delegates of the Freemen of *Maryland*, in Aſſembly convened, beg leave to repreſent to your Excellency the impending Dangers we apprehend from the Growth of Popery, and the valuable and extenſive Poſſeſſions of Popiſh Prieſts and Jeſuits, within this Province.

As Influence and Power are every where the inſeparable Concomitants of Property and Wealth, we find, that our Mother Country, and other Proteſtant States, have thought it neceſſary to guard effectually againſt the Jeſuits, and other Popiſh Emiſſaries, by laying them under particular Reſtrictions and Incapacities: And if their reſtleſs Genius, and the Vicinity of the *French*, be duly conſidered, we conceive the like Precautions cannot be thought unneceſſary here. We humbly truſt, from your Excellency's known Attachment to the preſent happy Eſtabliſhment both in Church and State, that your Excellency will put into all Places of Truſt and Profit, none but faithful Proteſtant Subjects, known as ſuch by their religious and civil Principles]: And that you will take all poſſible Care that the Laws may be duly executed for our common Safety, Protection and Encouragement, as well as for the Preſervation of this his Majeſty's Dominion.

His Excellency communicated to the Houſe, the following Meſſage (and a Letter juſt received from Governor *Dinwiddie*) viz.

Gentlemen of the Lower Houſe of Aſſembly,

I *CANNOT think the Reaſon offered in your Yeſterday's Addreſs, ſufficient for peremptorily refuſing any Aſſiſtance to the* Virginians, *at this Juncture; and if we duly conſider the preſent Poſture of Affairs in* Virginia *and on the* Ohio, *I believe we ſhall not doubt our being ſufficiently authorized by the Earl of* Holderneſſe's *Letter, to engage in the intended Expedition, and to give our Troops Inſtructions to act in Concert with thoſe which are levying in the neighbouring Colony, for that important Enterprize. For my own Part, I can ſee the Tranſactions of theſe People, againſt whom our Aid is ſollicited, in no other Light than that of flagrant Acts of Hoſtility, and I hope you will not give a ſofter Appellation than that of an Inveſion, to their unjuſt Uſurpations and Encroachments on his Majeſty's Dominions, their Preſumption to erect Forts on Lands to which our Sovereign has a moſt indubitable Right by a Conceſſion, or rather a Purchaſe, not many Years ſince from the* Indians, *who 'til that Time had held them in Poſſeſſion. The Summons ſent them to retire and relinquiſh Territories, to which they could have no juſt Pretenſions, you ſee was anſwered with a Letter of Defiance; and by them, or at their Inſtigation, the greateſt Violences were committed on ſeveral of our Fellow Subjects. 'Twas this Behaviour, and the Dread of repeated Inſults, that obliged the* Virginians *to enter on Meaſures, which, as they demand our higheſt Approbation, we cannot, without the Charge of Inhumanity, render abortive.*

You are, I doubt not, fully certified of the Grounds, for the Intelligence we received laſt Saturday, of the dutiful and generous Reſolution of our Neighbours, to engage in ſupporting his Majeſty's Right to the Country, which is at this Time invaded; but I ſubmit to your Conſideration, a Letter from the Governor of Virginia, *confirming it; by that you will learn what Dependence they have on our Diſpoſition to concur with them in an Endeavour, to extinguiſh at once our Enemy's Hopes of making farther Progreſs in their ambitious Schemes. This, the Duty of my Station obliges me to conjure you, by your Deſire to maintain the Faith and Confidence our Neighbours have in us, by the Honour of the* Britiſh Crown, *and the Safety of theſe Provinces, with the utmoſt Diſpatch to reſolve.* HORA. SHARPE.

A Petition of Mr. *George Gordon*, late Sheriff of *Frederick* County, was brought from the Upper Houſe, referred to the Lower Houſe, and was read, and leave given to bring in a Bill according to Prayer.

The Bill,——*For his Majeſty's Service*, was brought from the Upper Houſe with ſome propoſed Amendments. On reading which, the Queſtion was put, Whether the Houſe agrees with the Amendments, or Not? Carried in the Negative. Nays 34. Yeas 6.

The Bill,——*Supplementary to the Act for Amendment of the Staple*, &c. was read the ſecond Time and paſſed.

The Houſe adjourn'd.

Thurſday, *March* 7.

A Bill,——*Impowering the Juſtices of* Frederick *County to levy*, &c. was read the firſt and ſecond Time, paſſed, and ſent up.

The following Meſſage (with the Bill,——*For his Majeſty's Service*) was ſent up by ſix Members, *viz.*

May it pleaſe your Honours,

WE have conſidered the Amendments propoſed by your Honours to the Bill, *For his Majeſty's Service*, and cannot agree to them; but as we are ſenſible of how great Importance it is, at this Juncture, to cultivate a ſtrict Friendſhip and Alliance with the Six Nations of *Indians*, by making them ſuitable Preſents, and are fully perſuaded that the Ways and Means fallen upon to replace the Money taken out of the Loan Office for that Purpoſe, are juſt and reaſonable, and leaſt burthenſome to our Conſtituents, we have thought proper to return that Bill, in Hopes your Honours will paſs it as it now ſtands: And this we have Reaſon to expect, when we conſider, that laſt Seſſions your Honours would have conſented to a Bill *For Licenſing Hawkers and Pedlars*, in the Terms of that Part of the preſent Bill, relating thereto, had the Licenſe Money and Fines and Forfeitures, been appropriated to the Lord Proprietor: And how reaſonable it may be now to reject that Part, becauſe the Licenſe Money and Fines and Forfeitures, are appropriated towards the Replacement of a Sum of Money, raiſed for his Majeſty's Service, we ſubmit to your Honours ſerious Conſideration.

As the great Arrears due on the Ordinary Licenſes cannot be ſatisfied in ſeveral Years, it is apparently neceſſary, that other Expedients ſhould be fallen upon in Aid of that Act; for this Purpoſe, the Part of the Bill now propoſed by your Honours to be left out, was inſerted, and as it is in itſelf uſeful and beneficial to the Country, and has appeared in that Light to your Honours, we cannot conceive what reaſonable Objection can now be made to it. We have the preſent Service much at Heart, and cannot doubt your Honours are equally ſollicitous about it, therefore reſt aſſured of your Concurrence to a Bill ſo plainly calculated for the Service of his Majeſty, and the Eaſe and Benefit of the People of this Province.

A Petition from ſome of the Inhabitants of *Worceſter* County, was brought down, read, and referred to next Seſſion.

The Bill,——*Supplementary*, &c. was brought down, with a propoſed Amendment, with which the Houſe agreed.

Poſt Meridiem. An ingroſſed Bill,——*Supplementary*, &c. was read and aſſented to, and ſent up, with the Paper Bill.

The Houſe having taken into Conſideration, his Excellency's Meſſage of Yeſterday, and the Governor of *Virginia* his Letter, communicated to Mr. Speaker,

Reſolved, That an Addreſs be prepared to his Excellency to ſet forth therein, That this Houſe hath determined not to grant a Supply for raiſing Men or Money at this preſent Juncture for the Purpoſes in the ſaid Meſſage required.

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A Meſſage from the Upper Houſe, (with the Bill——*For his Majeſty's Service*) viz.

Gentlemen,

WE are as deſirous that a Preſent may be made to the *Indians*, to cultivate their Friendſhip at this Juncture, and to do every Thing in our Power for his Majeſty's Service, as you can be, and therefore paſſed the Bill entituled, *An Act for his Majeſty's Service*, with the Application of the Money on the Ordinary Licenſe Law, which would replace it in a very ſhort Time; and we having now re-conſidered the ſaid Bill, cannot in any other Manner paſs the ſame.

The Houſe adjourn'd.

Friday, *March* 8.

An Addreſs to the Governor, (in Anſwer to his Meſſage on Wedneſday) was ordered to be prepared.

His Excellency communicated the following Meſſage, *viz.*

Gentlemen of the Lower Houſe of Aſſembly,

THE favourable Opinion you have been pleaſed to conceive of my religious and civil Principles, I ſhall endeavour to preſerve, by countenancing or encouraging none but ſuch as are eſteemed ſincere Friends to the preſent happy Eſtabliſhment both in Church and State; and as I never deſire to ſee extraordinary Power in Hands where it may endanger the Safety and Welfare of his Majeſty's good Proteſtant Subjects, you ſhall not want my Concurrence in any Thing which is reaſonable and expedient for the Security and Proſperity of thoſe, who are intitled to that Appellation: A due Execution of the Laws in Force in this Province, you may be aſſured I will always encourage and promote. HOR°. SHARPE.

The Bill,——*Impowering the Juſtices of* Frederick *County*, &c. was brought down, Paſſed.

An Ingroſſed Addreſs was brought in, which was preſented to his Excellency, by Mr. *Stoddert*, and 13 other Members, *viz.*

To his Excellency HORATIO SHARPE, Eſq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of MARYLAND.

The humble Addreſs of the Houſe of Delegates.

May it pleaſe your Excellency,

IN anſwer to your Exellency's Meſſage of the ſixth Inſtant, ſent us together with the Governor of *Virginia*'s Letter; we ſincerely profeſs, that it gives us no ſmall Concern, to have any Occaſion of differing in Sentiments with your Excellency, and likewiſe, that we have not been able to procure a Bill, ſent from this to the Upper Houſe, for his Majeſty's Service; but, upon the moſt mature Conſideration of your Excellency's Meſſage, and the Letter therewith ſent, we humbly conceive, that the Situation, or Circumſtance, of our Neighbours of *Virginia*, with regard to any Violence or Outrage, threatened, or perpetrated againſt them, by the *French*, does not require our immediate Aid or Aſſiſtance, by the raiſing of an armed Force here, agreeable to the Inſtruction given us, in the Earl of *Holderneſſe*'s Letter; and therefore, we do not think it neceſſary to do any Thing in that Matter at preſent.

A Motion being made, for Leave to bring in a Bill, *For the raiſing a Sum of Money to be laid out in purchaſing Preſents for the* Northern *and* Southern *Indians*; the Queſtion was put, Whether Leave ſhould be now given, or Not? Carried in the Negative. Nays 29. Yeas 12.

Two of the Members were ordered to acquaint the Governor, that no Buſineſs lay before the Houſe.

His Excellency communicated a Meſſage to the Houſe.

The Houſe adjourn'd.

Saturday, *March* 9.

Some *Reſolves* were brought in and Read, and the Queſtion was put, Whether the Earl of *Holderneſſe*'s Letter, mentioned in the *Reſolves*, ſhould be Printed with the Proceedings of the Houſe, or Not? Carried in the Affirmative. Yeas 20. Nays 12.

Then the Queſtion was put, Whether the *Reſolves* ſhould be entered as the *Reſolves* of the Houſe, or Not? Carried in the Affirmative. Yeas 22. Nays 10.

A Meſſage from the Governor, required the Attendance of the Lower Houſe in the Upper Houſe.

Mr. Speaker, and the Houſe went up.

The Governor paſſed the two following Bills, into Laws, in the uſual Manner, *viz.*

An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majeſty's Cuſtoms, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees. And

An Act to impower the Juſtices of Frederick *County, to aſſeſs and levy on the taxable Perſons of the ſaid County, the Sum of* 118 *£. to enable the ſaid Juſtices to repay*, &c.

And then made the following Speech, *viz.*

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houſes of Aſſembly,

I CANNOT ſufficiently expreſs to you my great Concern at our having put the Country to a very conſiderable Expence, without doing the Buſineſs, which I conceived, Duty, Prudence, and good Policy, obliged me ſo earneſtly to recommend, and I hope the Behaviour of all the neighbouring Colonies on the ſame Occaſion, will juſtify my Conduct in this Affair. But to ſhew how averſe I am to have the public Debt increaſed, without a Proſpect of advantaging our Country, and how uneaſy I am at the Thoughts of detaining you againſt your Inclinations, I have, with the Advice of his Lordſhip's Council of State, thought fit to prorogue this Aſſembly to Wedneſday the Firſt Day of *May* next; and you are to take Notice you are prorogued to that Day accordingly.

So ended the Seſſion.

WILLIAMSBURG.

February 16*th*, 1754.

To the Honourable ROBERT DINWIDDIE, Eſq; His Majeſty's Lieutenant Governor, and Commander in Chief, of the Colony and Dominion of Virginia.

The humble ADDRESS of the COUNCIL.

SIR,

WE His Majeſty's faithful and loyal Subjects, the Council of *Virginia*, now met in General Aſſembly, beg Leave to return your Honour our hearty Thanks, for your kind Speech at the Opening of this Seſſion.

We cannot forbear to expreſs our juſt Indignation at the unwarrantable Encroachments, and hoſtile Proceedings of the French; and at the ſame Time to teſtify our Approbation of the prudent Steps already taken by your Honour, for the Defence and Security of the Colony

Our ardent Zeal for the Support of His Majeſty's Crown and Dignity, and our tender Regard for the Welfare and Proſperity of our Country, will incline us, by a chearful Concurrence with the Houſe of Burgeſſes, to exert our moſt vigorous Efforts to ſupport and effectuate your Honour's Proceedings, in what we agree to be the common Cauſe of all the *Britiſh* Colonies upon this Continent, and more eſpecially of this Dominion: And we aſſure your Honour, That in all our Conſultations we will proceed with that Harmony and Diſpatch, that the Importance of the Subject, and advanced Seaſon require.

We cannot conclude without our earneſt Prayers, that your Honour's conſtant Labours may be crowned with their deſerved Succeſs; and our warmeſt Wiſhes, that our Country may long continue to flouriſh under your Honour's Adminiſtration; from whence we may with Reaſon hope to ſee her Security and Proſperity eſtabliſhed, on the moſt ſolid and permanent Foundation.

To which his Honour was pleaſed to return the following ANSWER.

Gentlemen of the Council,

I Return you my ſincere Thanks for your kind Addreſs, and do aſſure you, it gives me great Pleaſure, that the Steps I have taken in the preſent Situation of our Affairs, meet with your Approbation.

Your ardent Zeal for His Majeſty's Crown and Dignity, and your Regard for the Proſperity and Welfare of our Country, with your Intentions of concurring with the Houſe of Burgeſſes, to exert the moſt vigorous Efforts for ſupporting me in my Proceedings againſt the Enemy, call for my moſt unfeign'd Thanks.

And I have not the leaſt Doubt of your Proceeding with Harmony, Diſpatch, and Reſolution, on the preſent Emergency.——I am much obliged for your Prayers for Succeſs to my Endeavours, which I aſſure you, ſhall always be with a View for the Welfare and Proſperity of this Dominion; and I hope, by our Conduct that our Enemies will ſee, we are not diſunited, but cloſely connected in Defence of our Rights and Liberties.

February 18th, 1754.

To the Honourable ROBERT DINWIDDIE, Eſq; His Majeſty's Lieutenant Governor, and Commander in Chief, of the Colony and Dominion of Virginia.

The humble ADDRESS of the Houſe of BURGESSES.

SIR,

WE His Majeſty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Burgeſſes of this His moſt ancient Colony and Dominion of *Virginia*, now met in General Aſſembly, humbly beg Leave to return your Honour our Thanks for your kind Speech to the Council, and this Houſe.

With Hearts full of Zeal for his Majeſty's Service, and the Intereſt of this Country, and fired with Reſentment and Indignation at the unjuſtifiable Proceedings and Encroachments of the *French*, and *French Indians*; we do, in the ſtrongeſt Terms, expreſs our utmoſt Abhorrence of their late barbarous Cruelties and Depredations, committed on the Frontiers, and his Majeſty's Subjects inhabiting there.

We are truly ſenſible of the great Importance of the ſeveral Matters recommended to us by your Honour and we do aſſure you, that we will take the ſame into our ſerious Conſideration, and act therein agreeable to the Duty we owe to our King and Country.

To which his Honour was pleaſed to return the following ANSWER.

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Houſe of Burgeſſes,

I Return you my ſincere Thanks for your kind Addreſs. It gives me ſingular Pleaſure to find you ſo warmly expreſſing your Zeal for his Majeſty's Service, and the Intereſt of our Country; from whence I draw an happy Preſage, that you will take the moſt vigorous Meaſures, to prevent the Progreſs of our Enemies in their unjuſtifiable Proceedings and Encroachments; and ſecure his Majeſty's People, your Fellow Subjects, from a Repetition of thoſe barbarous Cruelties, that ſo juſtly fire your Indignation and Reſentment.

At the ſame Time, Gentlemen, that you appear actuated by the higheſt Regard for your Duty to your King and Country, you will become an animating Example to the neighbouring Colonies, to exert themſelves in the common Cauſe.

And in every Meaſure conducive to this Good, the Houſe of Burgeſſes will always find my ready and affectionate Concurrence.

ANNAPOLIS.

Letters from Meſſieurs Trent, *and* Giſt, *to Major* Waſhington, *of* Virginia, *give ſome Account of their Situation near the* Ohio. *The firſt Letter is dated* Feb. 19, *at* Yaughyaughgany *big Bottom. The 17th Mr.* Trent *arrived at the Forks of* Mononga-hella (*from the Mouth of* Red Stone *Creek, where he has built a ſtrong Store Houſe*), *and met Mr.* Giſt, *and ſeveral Others: In 2 or 3 Days they expected down all the People, and as ſoon as they came were to lay the Foundation of the Fort, expecting to make out for that Purpoſe about 70 or 80 Men. The* Indians *were to join them and make them ſtrong. They requeſted him (Major* Waſhington) *to march out to them with all poſſible Expedition. They acquaint him, that Monſieur* La Force (*ou*, La Farce) *had made a Speech to ſome of our* Indians *and told them, that neither they nor the* Engliſh *there, would ſee the Sun above* 20 *Days longer*; 13 *of the Days being them to come: By what Mr.* Croghan *could learn from an* Indian *in the* French *Intereſt, they might expect* 400 French *down in that Time: A Meſſenger ſent from the* French *Fort had Letters for the Commanders of the other Forts to march immediately and join them, in order to cut off our* Indians *and Whites, and ſome* French Indians *were likewiſe expected to join them: When* La Force *had made his Speech to the* Indians, *they ſent a String of Wampum to Mr.* Croghan, *to deſire him to hurry the* Engliſh *to come, for that they expected ſoon to be attack'd, and preſſed hard to come and join them; for they wanted Neceſſaries and Aſſiſtance, and then would ſtrike: They further write, that* 600 French *and* Indians *were gone againſt the lower* Shawneeſe-Town, *to cut off the* Shawneeſe; 200 Ottaways *and* Chipawas *came to* Muſhingum *and demanded the White People there, and ſhewed them the* French *Hatchet; the* Wayondotts, *tho' not above* 30 *Men, refuſed to let them kill them in their Town; but they expected every Day to hear they had cut off the Whites and likewiſe the* Wayondotts. *The other Letter is dated at* Monongahella, Feb. 23. *Mr.* Giſt *writes,* "*An* Indian *who was taken Priſoner* "*from the* Chickaſaws *by the Six Nations ſome* "*Years ago, has been this Year to ſee his Friends* "*there; in his Paſſage up the* Ohio, *fell in with* "*a Body of near* 400 French *coming up the River; he parted with them below the Falls, and then* "*came, in Company with* 10 *of them that were* "*ſent up to treat with the* Shawneeſe *at the lower* "*Town; on their Arrival there, the* Engliſh *Traders had agreed to make Priſoners of them, but* "*the* French *getting a Hint from ſome* Indians, "*they fled away in the Night without diſcovering* "*their Buſineſs: We have alſo News of* 600 French "*and* Indians *gone down to fall on the* Shawneeſe "*if they will not admit the lower Army to paſs up* "*the River to join that above; it would therefore be*

" *be prudent to let the Governor know this, perhaps* " *he might send a Number of* Cherokees *to join the* " Shawneese *at the lower Town, and defeat them,* " *or prevent their joining thoſe above. Pray ſend* " *a Line by Mr.* Steuart, *and let us know the exact* " *Time you will be here, that we may ſpeak Truth* " *in all we ſay to our Friends.*"

We hear from Virginia, *that they go on very briſkly in raiſing Men, and that* 500, *under proper Officers, will be ſoon ready to march from* Alexandria.

Laſt Week his Excellency the Governor iſſued his Commiſſion, appointing George Dent, John Brice, John Darnall, John Hepburn, Robert Jenckins Henry, Richard Tilghman, George Steuart, William Goldſborough, Richard Lloyd, *and* John Hall, *Eſquires, to be Judges of the Provincial Court.*

John Brice, *and* John Darnall, *Eſquires, are appointed Judges of the Weſtern. and* Robert Jenckins Henry, *and* William Goldſborough, *Eſquires, of the Eaſtern, Shore, Circuits.*

Yeſterday Morning, two well built Ships, which were both raiſed in a Day a few Months ago, and built by Mr. Stephen Steward, *were launch'd into* Weſt *River; one is call'd the* Baltimore, *belonging to Mr.* Galloway, *and the other the* Horatio, *belonging to Meſſieurs* Johns *and* Philpot.

We have juſt now heard, that Capt. Spencer *is arrived in* Patuxent, *from* London; *and that he brings News of the Loſs of Capt.* Gabrielſund *(who ſail'd from hence the Beginning of* November *for* London), *on his Paſſage home, and that only Two of the People were ſaved. Mr.* Rowland Carnan, *and Six* Germans, *went Paſſengers in the Ship.*

TO THE PUBLIC,

Whoſe Attention to the following Particulars is humbly requeſted by a Native of the Province, and one ſincerely devoted to it's true Intereſt and Service.

HIS Education as a Proteſtant of the eſtabliſhed Church of *England*, gave him an early Abhorrence of Popery, and of thoſe Evils both religious and civil, which are the ſure and conſtant Attendants of it. And having found, from whatever he could collect of the Hiſtory of this Country, either from Converſation, or ſuch ſmall Tracts as he had caſually met with treating this Subject, that the Romiſh Religion had ruled almoſt without any Check or Controul from the firſt Settlement of it, down to the Revolution; and even ſince that Period had been too much cheriſhed and foſtered, and that it has occaſioned Commotions, and produced ſome tragical Events: He thought it his indiſpenſible Duty to his native Country, to uſe his beſt Endeavours to reduce this ſtill formidable Faction within ſuch *Bounds*, as ſhould be conſiſtent with the Well Being of a Proteſtant Community. To fix and determine theſe *Bounds*, as it was not his Province, ſo it was no Part of his Deſign. It may perhaps be thought worthy the Attention of the Legiſlature, at this Juncture more eſpecially, when a Foreign Enemy, to whom their Attachment is notorious, is hovering upon our Borders.

But it ſeems, there are thoſe, who impute every Thing he has done to reſtrain this Faction, " to " a Spirit of Intolerance and Perſecution towards " thoſe who differ from him in Matters of Reli- " gion". Such who ſay this, would do well to conſider, that in the ſame Breath in which they condemn him, they arraign the Wiſdom of the *Britiſh* Nation, in it's Laws and Statutes. The ſame Vindication will ſerve both them and him. Thoſe however, who are acquainted with the Nature of human Society, and the Hiſtory of our Mother-Nation, will readily acquit them, and conſequently him alſo, convinced of the abſolute Neceſſity there was for ſuch Laws there, and is for ſuch as would lay them under proper Reſtraints here. Nor can any Proteſtant Community truſt Papiſts with a Share of it's Power, without being guilty of an unpardonable Neglect of it's own Preſervation, and a Kind of Self Murder, if I may uſe the Expreſſion, in thus putting a Sword into the Hand of it's Enemy. With their religious Tenets, otherwiſe than as in their Conſequences they may affect the Community in it's civil Capacity, he has nothing to do; ſo far was he from adopting that moſt impious of them all, " The " Lawfulneſs of Perſecution in religious Matters;" a Tenet which has been the Source of dreadful Calamities to Mankind, and the Principal of thoſe for which he became their Enemy:

That Being who looks into the moſt ſecret Receſſes of his Boſom, knows that there is no ſuch Viper there.

The Apprehenſions that he had, that ſome fatal Conſequences might one Day or other follow, not only to this his native Country in particular, but to the whole *Britiſh* Dominion in general, upon the Continent of *America*, ſhould the Popiſh Faction gain Ground, as he had Reaſon to fear it did, determined him to ſeek Redreſs of theſe Grievances in *England*, convinced as he was from ſeveral fruitleſs Attempts, that it was not to be expected here. Upon his Arrival in *London*, he eaſily found Acceſs to the Earl of HALIFAX (as the Injured and Oppreſſed will always do), a Nobleman of diſtinguiſhed Merit and Abilities, and whoſe Office and Inclination both lead him to patronize the Colonies with a Spirit truly Patriot. Why this Attempt, ſo promiſing in the Beginning, from having gained this Noble Lord's Patronage, did not ſucceed in the End, is not neceſſary to be related here: He will only obſerve, that it was through no Fault of his Lordſhip; and he will preſume to add, nor of himſelf. It may, however, be productive of ſome good Conſequences, tho' it miſcarried in it's chief Aim and View. It may prompt Men of better Heads and Abilities than his, to reflect ſeriouſly, and in Time, upon this moſt important Subject, and then he is perſuaded they will eaſily diſcover the Neceſſity of laying this powerful Faction under ſome farther Reſtraints. And if, to this Reflection of our Danger from a domeſtic Enemy, be added that of the Neighbourhood of the *French*, and of the reſtleſs and enterprizing Genius of that People, together with the aſſiduous Care by them taken, to cultivate the Friendſhip of the *Indians*; this Apprehenſion of Danger will not appear ſo romantic and viſionary, as theſe Men would repreſent it But for once to ſuppoſe with our Adverſaries that it is as groundleſs as they would have it thought, is it reconcileable with the Common Senſe of Mankind, to ſuffer Places of Profit, and the Rewards of Society, to be enjoyed by thoſe, who are known to be the Enemies of it?

But not to conceal an Objection to his Conduct, which comes from his Friends, and of much greater Weight than any his Adverſaries can urge againſt him, *viz.* " Why he a private Perſon, and with- " out Authority, undertook the Redreſs of the " public Grievances?" He is here at a Loſs for an Anſwer, and muſt ingenuouſly acknowledge, that his Zeal for the public Service was ſuperior to his Diſcretion: With the Candid, and thoſe of a truly patriot Spirit (and to ſuch only he applies who can feel the Calamities and Diſtreſſes of their Country), the Goodneſs of his Intention, will, perhaps, attone for the Indiſcretion of it. If this Apology will not ſerve him, he has no other to make. There may, however, poſſibly be Gentlemen who can ſee ſome Merit in what he has done, or attempted to do; if any ſuch there be, they may think it reaſonable too, that he ſhould be reimburſed any Expence he has been at in his Attendance upon this Affair, and then they will conſequently fall upon a Method of doing it, which, however, he will not preſume to preſcribe to them.

To be RUN for,

On Monday the 15th of *April*,

(Being the Gift of his Excellency,)

AT *Talbot* County Court-Houſe, a Purſe of TWENTY POUNDS, by any Horſe, Mare or Gelding, (who never then ſhall have won a Prize of above Seven Pounds,) carrying Nine Stone Weight, the beſt of Three Heats, each Heat to be Twice round the Poles on the Race Ground; to rub Half an Hour between each Heat. The Horſes, *&c.* to be entered with Mr. *Joſiah Coleman*, living at *Talbot* Court Houſe, on Saturday the 13th, each paying Twenty Shillings Entrance.

Such Rules and Orders are to be obſerved, as are uſual on thoſe Occaſions; and if any Diſputes ſhould ariſe, they are to be determined by Gentlemen appointed for that Purpoſe, before ſtarting; and if the 15th ſhould be a rainy Day, the Prize to be run for on the firſt fair Day after.

To be SOLD, by Public Vendue, in the Parade in Annapolis, *on the ſecond Day of the Provincial Court in* May, *as ſoon as the Court adjourns, in the Afternoon,*

THREE Hundred and Twenty Nine Acres of Land, being a good Plantation, in *Baltimore* County, whereon is a good Dwelling Houſe, Tobacco Houſe, and an Orchard of 400 Apple Trees. The Plantation and Improvements are valued to be worth more than 200 *l.* Sterling, but will be ſet up at 115, and the Title indiſputable.

Roger Randall.

LOST,

THE firſt Volume of, *The Hiſtory of a Foundling*, by *Henry Fielding*, Eſq; plain Bound, without any Tilling. Whoever brings it to the Printer hereof, ſhall have Five Shillings Reward.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living in *Dorcheſter* County, on the 23d of *February* laſt, a Servant Man, named *William Northwood*, an *Engliſhman*, about 5 Feet and a half high, aged 31 Years, of a brown Complexion, wears his own Hair, has dark Eyes, and by Trade a Sawyer. Had on and took with him a blue Fearnothing Pea Jacket, a double breaſted white Cotton ſhort Jacket, without Sleeves, blue Breeches, a Pair of ribb'd Worſted Stockings, and two Pair of Yarn Stockings, a Felt Hat, a Holland Shirt ruffled at the Boſom, a Country coarſe Jacket without Sleeves or Buttons He has got his Indenture with him, and it is very probable has wrote a Diſcharge on the Back of it.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him ſo as his Maſter may get him again, ſhall have One Piſtole Reward, beſides what the Law allows, and all reaſonable Charges, paid by

Moſes Lecompte, junior.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living near *Joppa*, on the 11th of this Inſt. *March*, the two following Servant Men, *viz.*

Nathaniel Nichols, an *Iriſhman*, of a middle Size, about 5 Feet high, wears his own Hair, talks much, and pretends to be a Barber: Had on, and took with him, when he went away, a Cotton Waiſtcoat, Country Cloth Breeches, two Oſnabrigs Shirts, and one Check One, two Pair of Yarn Stockings, Country made Shoes, and a Felt Hat.

John Henry, a *Welchman*, talks much, and is about 4 Feet and a Half high: Had on when he went away a brown Wig, an old Hat, an Oſnabrigs Shirt, a Country Cloth Jacket, a Pair of Cotton Breeches, Sailor's Trowſers, Yarn Stockings, and a Pair of Negro Shoes.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servants, and ſecures them, ſo that they may be had again, ſhall have FIVE POUNDS Reward.

George Presbury.

THE Managers of the *Baltimore* LOTTERY, hereby give Notice, That they will certainly draw it, on Tueſday the 30th of *April* enſuing. 3

N. B. A few of the Tickets are yet to be Sold at the POST OFFICE in *Annapolis*.

ANDREW BUCHANAN,

PERUKE-MAKER,

HAVING lately purchaſed a large Quantity of all Sorts of the beſt of *Engliſh* HAIRS, will make WIGS of all Faſhions, from One Guinea to Four Guineas Price. And any Gentlemen who are pleaſed to favour him with their Cuſtom, may depend on being ſerved with Fidelity and Care, by 5

Their humble Servant,

Andrew Buchanan.

N. B. Any Wig Makers may be ſupplied with Hairs, by the Pound, or Ounce, by the ſaid *Buchanan*, at a very reaſonable Price.

JUST PUBLISHED,

(Containing 84 Pages in Folio),

And to be Sold by the Printer hereof,

THE LAWS made at the laſt Seſſion of Aſſembly.

MARY SALISBURY,

PROPOSES keeping SCHOOL in *Annapolis*, at the Houſe where Mr. *Sparrow* lived, near the Church, to Teach young LADIES FRENCH, and all Sorts of fine NEEDLE WORK, TAPESTRY, EMBROIDERY with Gold and Silver, and every other CURIOUS WORK which can be performed with a Needle, and all Education fit for young LADIES, except Dancing. 4

N. B. She will take in young LADIES to Board, and propoſes to open School the 25th of *March*. Thoſe young LADIES who intend to be her Scholars, are deſired to leave their Names at the PRINTING OFFICE.

COMMITTED

COMMITTED to the Cuſtody of the Sheriff of *Baltimore* County, ſome Time in *November* laſt, on Suſpicion of being a Runaway, a Perſon who called himſelf *John Bennit*; but now ſays his true Name is *Ralph Sincox*, and that he belongs to one Capt. *John Howard*, living in *Virginia*. He is of low Stature, Battle-Hamm'd, Blear Eyed, and a Sawyer by Trade.

His Maſter may have him, on paying his Impriſonment Fees, and the Charge of this Advertiſement. *William Young.*

Frederick-Town, January 1, 1754.

THE Subſcriber hereby gives Notice, That he intends to apply to his Excellency the Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houſes of Aſſembly, for an Act of Inſolvency.

Thomas Reynolds.

To be Sold, for ready Money, or ſhort Credit,

THREE Lots of Ground, lying in *Annapolis*, and at preſent in the Poſſeſſion of Mr. *Richard Burdus*, with the Dwelling Houſe and Out Houſes, and all the other Improvements, ſuch as Paling, Fencing, &c. which at preſent are in good Repair.

For Title and Price apply to

Robert Swan.

N. B. The Houſes and Lots being formerly leaſed out at Twenty five Pounds *per Annum*, there are ſix Years of which yet to come.

February 5, 1754.

THE Subſcriber having farmed his Lordſhip's Quit Rents, which have ariſen and ſhall ariſe due in *Anne Arundel* County, from the 29th Day of *September* laſt 'til the 29th Day of *September*, 1755, doth hereby give Notice, That he will attend in the back Room of the Paper Currency Office, during the ſitting of the Provincial Courts, Aſſize Courts, and County Courts, to receive the ſame. His Lordſhip's Tenants are therefore deſired to be punctual in their Payments, foraſmuch as he has contracted to account with his Lordſhip's Agent every Half Year, he will be obliged to take all legal Ways and Means for the collecting of the Rents as they become due.

Richard Dorſey.

JOHN FINNEY,

Living in CHARLES TOWN, *in* MARYLAND,

MAKES and Mends all Sorts of CLOCKS and WATCHES, in the beſt and cheapeſt Manner; and likewiſe makes and mends all Sorts of Gold and Silver Work.

To be Sold, by Wholeſale, or in Parcels, by the Subſcribers, at Public Vendue, on Wedneſday *the 20th Day of* March *next, at the Houſe of the Widow* Sims, *in* Frederick Town *in* Frederick *County, at* 3 *o'Clock in the Afternoon, for Sterling or Current Money, and Time given for the Payment, on giving Security, if required.*

THE following Tracts of Land, lying in *Frederick* County, *viz.*

Cragg Mill, containing 20 Acres, whereon is a Merchant's Water Mill, double geered, with Geers for two Pair of Stones, with a good Bolting-Mill, the Houſe 30 Feet long and 20 Feet wide, new and in good Repair, with a ſtrong Stone Dam, ſtanding on *Linganore*, on the Main Road that leads from *Frederick Town* to *Annapolis* and *Baltimore Town*.

Friendſhip, containing 920 Acres.

The Land of Valleys, containing 264 Acres

Braphears Choice, containing 45 Acres, all contiguous to the Water-Mill aforeſaid.

A Tract of Land, called *Hope*, containing 50 Acres, lying in *Frederick* County aforeſaid.

And one other Tract, called *Bearhead*, containing 30 Acres, lying in *Anne-Arundel* County, on *Snowden*'s River.

For Title apply to Mr. *William Cumming*, in *Annapolis*, who will attend the Sale.

Charles Grahame,
John Cooke.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subſcriber will give conſtant Attendance at his Office, in *Annapolis*, on every Wedneſday and Thurſday before the Tenth of *April* next, to receive all ſuch Money from the Inhabitants of this County as is due from them for Public Levies, or on any other Account, to

Their humble Servant,
Nathan Hammond, Sheriff
of *Anne Arundel* County.

INSPECTORS, who are not yet ſupplied with Books and Notes for the preſent Year, may be ſupplied with any Quantities on Application to

Jonas Green.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, on the 4th of *February* laſt, an Indented Servant Man, named *James Roberſon*, a *Scotchman*, about 25 Years of Age, a well ſet Fellow, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, has a large Scar under his left Eye, and a red Beard. Had on when he went away, an Oſnabrigs Shirt, a blue Pea Jacket, a Pair of black Cloth Breeches with Metal Buttons, a Pair of blue and white Cotton and Thread Stockings, and a Beaver Hat with a Patch near the Crown of it.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and brings him to his Maſter, living near *Weſt River*, ſhall have Thirty Shillings Reward, beſides what the Law allows, paid by

Anthony Smith.

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of the Rev. Mr. *John Lang*, late of *St. James*'s Pariſh in *Anne-Arundel* County, deceaſed; and all thoſe indebted to the Eſtate of Mrs. *Margaret Lang* (Widow of the late Rev. Mr. *Lang*), deceaſed, are deſired to make ſpeedy Payment to the Subſcriber, to prevent Trouble: And all thoſe who have any legal Claims on either of the ſaid Eſtates, are deſired to bring them in to,

James Anderſon, Executor
to Mrs. *Margaret Lang.*

To be Sold by the Subſcriber,

FOUR Hundred Acres of choice Land, lying in *Calvert* County, about four Miles below *Lower Marlborough*, and a Mile and a half from the River, is well Timber'd, and the Bounds proved.

The Terms may be known by applying to

Francis Chew.

To be Sold by the Subſcriber,

GOOD *Weſt India* Rum, *Muſcovado* Sugar, Melaſſes, Coffee, Saſh Glaſs, 12 by 10, 11 by 9, 10 by 8, 6 by 4, and Diamond Glaſs, Linſeed Oil, White Lead, and ſundry dry Goods, for Caſh, Pork, Beef, Corn, Wheat, Peaſe, Oats, or Parcels of good Tobacco.

Patrick Creagh.

Upper-Marlborough, January 28, 1754.

LEFT at the Subſcriber's Houſe in the Year 1749. or 1750, a ſmall Box marked I M, with a Figure of 4, and Crow's Foot between the Letters; in which are contained, a Piece of Printed Callico, Ten Yards of *Iriſh* Linnen pretty fine, and a Piece of Oſnabrigs.

The Owner may have them, on paying the Charge of this Advertiſement, and applying with the Bill of Loading, to

Benjamin Berry, junior.

TO BE SOLD,

A PARCEL of Land, lying in *Frederick* County, near the great Falls of *Potowmack* River, containing 200 Acres, being Part of a Tract of Land, called the *Addition to James*. Any Perſon inclin'd to purchaſe the ſame, may apply to Mr. *James Holmeard*, junior, who will ſhow the Land; and for Title and Terms apply to the Subſcriber, living at *Upper-Marlborough* in *Prince George's* County.

Colmore Beanes.

TO BE SOLD,

For Money, Tobacco, Indian Corn, Wheat, Pork, or Lumber,

A GOOD SLOOP that will carry near 1000 Buſhels of Grain: She is well found with Sails, Rigging, Anchors, Cables, and all other Materials.

Kinſey Johns,
William Thornton.

N. B. Time for Payment will be given, on Security, if required.

Baltimore Town, November 6, 1753.

ALL Perſons indebted to Mr. *Rowland Carnan*, now on his Voyage to *England*, or to the Eſtate of Mr. *Charles Carnan*, of *London*, Merchant, are deſired to come and ſettle their Accounts forthwith; otherwiſe they muſt expect to be ſued for their reſpective Debts, at *March* Court.

And any Perſons having any juſt Claims or Demands on ſaid *Rowland Carnan*, or the Eſtate of ſaid *Charles Carnan*, are deſired to apply for Payment of the ſame, in *Baltimore Town*, from Monday to Friday in every Week; and at *Elk Ridge* Landing every Saturday, where Attendance will be given, by

Chamier and *Carnan*, Attorneys in Fact to Mr. *Rowland Carnan*, and to the Truſtees to the Eſtate of Mr. *Cha. Carnan*, of *London*.

JUST IMPORTED,

In the Ship BIDDEFORD, *Capt.* JOHN COLE, *from* BRISTOL, *and to be Sold by the Subſcriber, at his new Store, near the Dock, in* ANNAPOLIS,

AN Aſſortment of *European* and *Eaſt India* GOODS, at very reaſonable Rates, for Paper Money, Gold, or Bills of Exchange: He alſo Sells, good *Barbadoes* RUM, at 4 *s.* 6 *d. per* Gallon, SUGAR, at 8 *d. per* Pound, and Sour ORANGES, at 2 *s. per* Dozen.

John Raitt.

A SCHEME of a ſmall LOTTERY; For raiſing the Sum of 490 Pieces of Eight, for building a public Wharf at *Baltimore-Town*.

Numb. of Prizes.		*Pieces of Eight.*		*Total.*
2	of	100	are	200
3	of	50	are	150
3	of	30	are	90
6	of	20	are	120
10	of	15	are	150
20	of	10	are	200
50	of	5	are	250
612	of	3	are	1836
1	firſt drawn			7
1	laſt drawn			7
708 Prizes,				3010
1042 Blanks,				
1750 Tickets at 2 Pieces of Eight, are				3500
			For the public Wharf	490

By this Scheme there is not one Blank and a half to a Prize.

As there is nothing more wanting than a public Wharf in the Town, where the Trade is greatly increaſed within a few Years, it is not to be doubted but People will readily Adventure in this Lottery, who are Well-wiſhers to the Proſperity of the Town and Province.

Many of the Tickets being already engaged, it is ſuppos'd the Lottery will be full in a very ſhort Time, of which public Notice will be given, and of the Time of Drawing.

A Liſt of the Prizes will be publiſhed in the *Maryland* Gazette, as ſoon as the Drawing is compleated.

The following Perſons are appointed Managers, who are to be under Oath, for the true Performance of their Truſt, *viz.* Meſſrs. *John Stevenſon, Richard Chaſe, John Moale, Charles Croxall, William Rogers, Nicholas Rogers, John Ridgely, N. Ruxton Gay, William Lux*, and *Brian Philpot*, jun.

Tickets to be had of any of the Managers, and at the POST-OFFICE, in *Annapolis*.

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MARYLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freshest Advices foreign and domestic.

THURSDAY, *March* 21, 1754.

The Storm arising in the *West*, being the present Topic of Conversation, we think that we cannot oblige our Readers, at this Juncture, with any thing more entertaining than Major *Washington*'s Journal to *Ohio*, who was sent last Fall, by the Governor of *Virginia*, to the Commandant of the *French* Forces there. (Major *Washington* introduces his Journal with an Advertisement, with which we likewise present our Readers). From a Copy just Printed in *Williamsburg*.

ADVERTISEMENT.

AS it was thought advisable by his Honour the Governor to have the following Account of my Proceedings to and from the French *on* Ohio, *committed to Print; I think I can do no less than apologize, in some Measure, for the numberless Imperfections of it.*

There intervened but one Day between my Arrival in Williamsburg *and the Time for the Council's Meeting, for me to prepare and transcribe, from the rough Minutes I had taken in my Travels, this Journal: The writing of which only was sufficient to employ me closely the whole Time, consequently admitted of no Leisure to consult of a new and proper Form to offer it in, or to correct or amend the Diction of the old; neither was I apprised, or did in the least conceive, when I wrote this for his Honour's Perusal, that it ever would be published, or even have more than a cursory Reading; till I was informed, at the Meeting of the present General Assembly, that it was already in the Press.*

There is nothing can recommend it to the Public, but this, Those Things which came under the Notice of my own Observation, I have been explicit and just in a Recital of;——Those which I have gathered from Report, I have been particularly cautious not to augment, but collected the Opinions of the several Intelligencers, and selected from the whole, the most probable and consistent Account.

G. WASHINGTON.

Major GEORGE WASHINGTON's *Journal to the River* OHIO, &c.

Wednesday, October 31st, 1753.

I WAS commissioned and appointed by the Honourable *Robert Dinwiddie*, Esq; Governor, &c. of *Virginia*, to visit and deliver a Letter to the Commandant of the *French* Forces on the *Ohio*, and set out on the intended Journey the same Day; the next, I arrived at *Fredericksburg*, and engaged Mr. *Jacob Van Braam*, to be my *French* Interpreter; and proceeded with him to *Alexandria*, where we provided Necessaries; from thence we went to *Winchester*, and got Baggage, Horses, &c. and from thence we pursued the new Road to *Wills* Creek, where we arrived the 14th of *November*.

Here I engaged Mr. *Gist* to pilot us out, and also hired four others as Servitors, *Barnaby Currin*, and *John Macquire*, Indian Traders, *Henry Steward*, and *William Jenkins*, and in Company with those Persons, left the Inhabitants the Day following.

The excessive Rains and vast Quantity of Snow that had fallen, prevented our reaching Mr. *Frazier*'s an Indian Trader, at the Mouth of *Turtle* Creek, on *Monongahela*, till *Thursday* the 22d. We were informed here, that Expresses were sent a few Days ago to the Traders down the River, to acquaint them with the *French* General's Death, and the Return of the major Part of the *French* Army into Winter Quarters.

The Waters were quite impassable, without swimming our Horses; which obliged us to get the Loan of a Canoe from *Frazier*, and to send *Barnaby Currin*, and *Henry Steward*, down *Monongahela*, with our Baggage, to meet us at the Forks of *Ohio*, about 10 Miles, to cross *Allegany*.

As I got down before the Canoe, I spent some Time in viewing the Rivers, and the Land in the Fork, which I think extremely well situated for a Fort, as it has the absolute Command of both Rivers. The Land at the Point is 20 or 25 Feet above the common Surface of the Water, and a considerable Bottom of flat, well-timbered Land all around it, very convenient for Building: The Rivers are each a Quarter of a Mile, or more, across, and run here very near at right Angles: *Allegany* bearing N. E. and *Monongahela* S. E. the former of these two is a very rapid and swift running Water, the other deep and still, without any perceptible Fall.

About two Miles from this, on the South East Side of the River, at the Place where the *Ohio* Company intended to erect a Fort, lives *Shingiss*, King of the *Delawares*; we call'd upon him, to invite him to Council at the *Loggs* Town.

As I had taken a good deal of Notice Yesterday of the Situation at the *Forks*, my Curiosity led me to examine this more particularly, and I think it greatly inferior, either for Defence or Advantages; especially the latter, for a Fort at the *Forks* would be equally well situated on *Ohio*, and have the entire Command of *Monongahela*, which runs up to our Settlements and is extremely well design'd for Water Carriage, as it is of a deep still Nature; besides, a Fort at the *Fork* might be built at a much less Expence, than at the other Place.——

Nature has well contrived the lower Place, for Water Defence; but the Hill whereon it must stand being about a Quarter of a Mile in Length, and then descending gradually on the Land Side, will render it difficult and very expensive, making a sufficient Fortification there.—The whole Flat upon the Hill must be taken in, or the Side next the Descent made extremely high; or else the Hill cut away: Otherwise, the Enemy may raise Batteries within that Distance without being expos'd to a single Shot from the Fort.

Shingiss attended us to the *Loggs* Town, where we arrived between Sun setting and Dark, the 25th Day after I left *Williamsburg*: We travelled over some extreme good, and bad Land, to get to this Place.—

As soon as I came into Town, I went to *Monacatoocha* (as the Half King was out at his hunting Cabbin on little *Beaver* Creek, about 15 Miles off) and inform'd him by *John Davison* my *Indian* Interpreter, that I was sent a Messenger to the *French* General; and was ordered to call upon the Sachems of the *Six Nations*, to acquaint them with it.—I gave him a String of Wampum, and a Twist of Tobacco, and desired him to send for the Half King; which he promised to do by a Runner in the Morning, and for other Sachems.—I invited him and the other great Men present to my Tent, where they stay'd about an Hour and return'd.

According to the best Observations I could make, Mr *Gist*'s new Settlement (which we pass'd by) bears about W. N. W. 70 Miles from *Wills* Creek; *Shanapins*, or the Forks N. by W. or N. N. W. about 50 Miles from that; and from thence to the *Loggs* Town, the Course is nearly West about 18 or 20 Miles; so that the whole Distance, as we went and computed it, is at least 135 or 140 Miles from our back Inhabitants.

25th, Came to Town four of ten *Frenchmen* that deserted from a Company at the *Cuscuscas*, which lies at the Mouth of this River; I got the following Account from them. They were sent from *New Orleans* with 100 Men, and 8 Canoe Loads of Provisions to this Place; where they expected to have met the same Number of Men, from the Forts this Side Lake *Erie*, to convoy them and the Stores up, who were not arrived when they ran off.

I enquired into the Situation of the *French*, on the *Mississippi*, their Number, and what Forts they had built: They inform'd me, That there were four small Forts between *New Orleans* and the *Black Islands*, garrison'd with about 30 or 40 Men, and a few small Pieces, in each: That at *New Orleans*, which is near the Mouth of the *Mississippi*, there are 35 Companies, of 40 Men each, with a pretty strong Fort mounting 8 Carriage Guns, and at the *Black Islands* there are several Companies, and a Fort with 6 Guns. The *Black Islands* are about 130 Leagues above the Mouth of the *Ohio*, which is about 350 above *New Orleans*: They also acquainted me, that there was a small palisado'd Fort on the *Ohio*, at the Mouth of the *Obaish* about 60 Leagues from the *Mississippi*: The *Obaish* heads near the West End of Lake *Erie*, and affords the Communication between the *French* on *Mississippi* and those on the Lakes. These Deserters came up from the lower *Shanoah*-Town with one *Brown*, an *Indian* Trader, and were going to *Philadelphia*.

About 3 o'Clock this Evening the Half King came to Town; I went up and invited him and *Davison*, privately, to my Tent, and desir'd him to relate some of the Particulars of his Journey to the *French* Commandant, and Reception there; and to give me an Account of the Ways and Distance. He told me, that the neatest and levellest Way was now impassable, by Reason of many large miry Savannas; that we must be obliged to go by *Venango*, and should not get to the near Fort under 5 or 6 Night's Sleep, good Travelling. When he went to the Fort, he said he was received in a very stern Manner by the late Commander; Who ask'd him very abruptly, what he had come about, and to declare his Business, which he said he did in the following Speech.

Fathers, I am come to tell you your own Speeches; what your own Mouths have declared. Fathers, You, in former Days, set a Silver Bason before us, wherein there was the Leg of a Beaver, and desir'd of all Nations to come and eat of it; to eat in Peace and Plenty, and not to be churlish to one another; and that if any such Person should be found to be a Disturber, I here lay down by the Edge of the Dish a Rod, which you must scourge them with; and if I your Father, should get foolish, in my old Days, I desire you may use it upon me as well as others.

Now Fathers, it is you that are the Disturbers in this Land, by coming and building your Towns, and taking it away unknown to us, and by Force.

Fathers, We kindled a Fire a long Time ago, at a Place called Montreal, *where we desired you to stay, and not to come and intrude upon our Land. I now desire you may dispatch to that Place; for be it known to you, Fathers, that this is our Land, and not yours.*

Fathers, I desire you may hear me in Civilness; if not, we must handle that Rod which was laid down for the Use of the Obstreperous. If you had come in a peaceable Manner, like our Brothers the English, *we should not have been against your trading with us, as they do; but to come, Fathers, and build great Houses upon our Land, and to take it by Force, is what we cannot submit to.*

Fathers, Both you and the English *are white, we live in a Country between; therefore the Land belongs to neither one nor t'other: But the Great Being above allow'd it to be a Place of Residence for us; so Fathers, I desire you to withdraw, as I have done our Brothers the* English; *for I will keep you at Arms length: I lay this down as a Trial for both, to see which will have the greatest Regard to it, and that Side we will stand by, and make equal Sharers with us. Our Brothers the* English *have heard this, and I come now to tell it to you, for I am not afraid to discharge you off this Land.*

This he said was the Substance of what he said to the General, who made this Reply.

Now my Child, I have heard your Speech, you spoke first, but it is my Time to speak now. Where is my Wampum that you took away, with the Marks of Towns in it? This Wampum I do not know, which you have discharged me off the Land with; but you need not put yourself to the Trouble of speaking, for I will not hear you: I am not afraid of Flies, or Musquitos, for Indians are such as those; I tell you, down that River I will go, and will build

build upon it, according to my Command: If the River was block'd up, I have Forces sufficient to burst it open, and tread under my Feet all that stand in Opposition, together with their Alliances; for my Force is as the Sand upon the Sea Shore: Therefore, here is your Wampum, I sling it at you. Child, you talk foolish; you say this Land belongs to you, but there is not the Black of my Nail yours: I saw that Land sooner than you did, before the Shannoahs *and you were at War:* Lead *was the Man that went down, and took Possession of that River: It is my Land, and I will have it, let who will stand up for, or say against it. I'll buy and sell with the* English, (mockingly). *If People will be rul'd by me, they may expect Kindness, but not else.*

The Half King told me he enquired of the General after two *Englishmen* that were made Prisoners, and received this Answer,

Child, You think it is a very great Hardship that I made Prisoners of those two People at Venango, *don't you concern yourself with it, we took and carried them to* Canada, *to get Intelligence of what the* English *were doing in* Virginia.

He informed me that they had built two Forts, one on Lake *Erie*, and another on *French*-Creek, near a small Lake about 15 Miles asunder, and a large Waggon Road between; they are both built after the same Model, but different in the Size; that on the Lake the largest; he gave me a Plan of them, of his own drawing.

The *Indians* enquired very particularly after their Brothers in *Carolina* Goal.

They also asked what Sort of a Boy it was that was taken from the *South*-Branch; for they had, by some *Indians*, heard, that a Party of *French Indians* had carried a white Boy by the *Cuscusca* Town, towards the Lakes.

26th. We met in Council at the *Long-House*, about 9 o'Clock, where I spoke to them as follows,

Brothers, I have called you together in Council, by Order of your Brother the Governor of Virginia, *to acquaint you that I am sent, with all possible Dispatch, to visit, and deliver a Letter to the* French *Commandant, of very great Importance to your Brothers the* English; *and I dare say, to you their Friends and Allies.*

I was desired, Brothers, by your Brother the Governor, to call upon you, the Sachems of the Nations, to inform you of it, and to ask your Advice and Assistance to proceed the nearest and best Road to the French. *You see, Brothers, I have got thus far on my Journey.*

His Honour likewise desired me to apply to you for some of your young Men, to conduct and provide Provisions for us on our Way, and be a Safeguard against those French Indians *who have taken up the Hatchet against us. I have spoke this particularly to you, Brothers, because his Honour our Governor treats you as good Friends and Allies, and holds you in great Esteem. To confirm what I have said, I give you this String of Wampum.*

After they had considered some Time on the above, the Half King got up and spoke.

Now, my Brothers, in Regard to what my Brother the Governor has desired of me, I return you this Answer.

I rely upon you as a Brother ought to do, as you say we are Brothers and one People: We shall put Heart in Hand, and speak to our Fathers the French *concerning the Speech they made to me, and you may depend that we will endeavour to be your Guard.*

Brother, as you have asked my Advice, I hope you will be ruled by it, and stay till I can provide a Company to go with you: The French *Speech-Belt is not here, I have it to go far to my hunting Cabbin; likewise the People which I have ordered in, are not yet come, nor cannot till the third Night from this, till which Time, Brother, I must beg you to stay.*

I intend to send a Guard of Mingos, Shannoahs, *and* Delawares, *that our Brothers may see the Love and Loyalty we bear them.*

As I had Orders to make all possible Dispatch, and waiting here was very contrary to my Inclination, I thanked him in the most suitable Manner I could, and told him that my Business required the greatest Expedition, and would not admit of that Delay: He was not well pleased that I should offer to go before the Time he had appointed, and told me that he could not consent to our going without a Guard, for Fear some Accident should befal us, and draw a Reflexion upon him; besides, says he, this is a Matter of no small Moment, and must not be entered into without due Consideration; for now I intend to deliver up the *French* Speech Belt, and make the *Shannoahs* and *Delawares* do the same: And accordingly he gave Orders to King *Shingiss*, who was present, to attend on *Wednesday* Night with the Wampum, and two Men of their Nation to be in Readiness to set out with us next Morning. As I found it was impossible to get off without affronting them in the most egregious Manner, I consented to stay.

I gave them back a String of Wampum that I met with at Mr. *Frazier's*, which they had sent with a Speech to his Honour the Governor, to inform him, that three Nations of *French Indians*, viz. *Chippoways*, *Ottoways*, and *Orundacks*, had taken up the Hatchet against the *English*, and desired them to repeat it over again, which they postponed doing till they met in full Council with the *Shannoahs* and *Delaware* Chiefs.

27th. Runners were dispatched very early for the *Shannoah* Chiefs, the Half King set out himself to fetch the *French* Speech-Belt from his Hunting-Cabbin.

28th. He returned this Evening, and came with *Monocatoocha*, and two other Sachems to my Tent; and begged, (as they had complied with his Honour the Governor's Request, in providing Men, &c.) to know on what Business we were going to the *French?* this was a Question I all along expected, and had provided as satisfactory Answers to, as I could, and which allayed their Curiosity a little.

Monocatoocha informed me, that an *Indian* from *Venango* brought News, a few Days ago, that the *French* had called all the *Mingos*, *Delawares* &c. together at that Place, and told them that they intended to have been down the River this Fall, but the Waters were growing cold, and the Winter advancing, which obliged them to go into Quarters: But they might assuredly expect them in the Spring, with a far greater Number; and desired that they might be quite passive, and not to intermeddle, unless they had a Mind to draw all their Force upon them, for that they expected to fight the *English* three Years, (as they supposed there would be some Attempts made to stop them) in which Time they should conquer, but if they should prove equally strong, that they and the *English* would join to cut them all off, and divide the Land between them; that tho' they had lost their General, and some few of their Soldiers, yet there were Men enough to reinforce them, and make them Masters of the *Ohio*.

This Speech, he said, was delivered to them by one Captain *Joncaire* their Interpreter in Chief, living at *Venango*, and a Man of Note in the Army.

29th. The Half-King and *Monocatoocha*, came very early, and begged me to stay one Day more, for notwithstanding they had used all the Diligence in their Power, the *Shannoah* Chiefs had not brought the Wampum they ordered, but would certainly be in To night; if not, they would delay me no longer, but would send it after us as soon as they arrived: When I found them so pressing in their Request, and knew that returning of Wampum was the abolishing of Agreements; and giving this up, was shaking off all Dependence upon the *French*, I consented to stay, as I believed an Offence offered at this Crisis, might be attended with greater ill Consequence, than another Day's Delay. They also informed me that *Shingiss* could not get in his Men, and was prevented from coming himself by his Wife's Sickness, (I believe, by Fear of the *French*) but that the Wampum of that Nation was lodged with *Custaloga* one of their Chiefs at *Venango*.

In the Evening late they came again and acquainted me that the *Shannoahs* were not yet come, but it should not retard the Prosecution of our Journey. He delivered in my Hearing the Speeches that were to be made to the *French*, by *Jeskakake*, one of their old Chiefs, which was giving up the Belt the late Commandant had asked for, and repeating near the same Speech he himself had done before.

He also delivered a String of Wampum to this Chief, which was sent by King *Shingiss*, to be given to *Custaloga*, with Orders to repair to the *French*, and deliver up the Wampum.

He likewise gave a very large String of black and white Wampum, which was to be sent up immediately to the Six Nations, if the *French* refused to quit the Land at this Warning; which was the third and last Time, and was the Right of this *Jeskakake* to deliver.

¶ *30th.* Last Night the great Men assembled to their Council-House, to consult further about this Journey, and who were to go; the Result of which was, that only three of their Chiefs, with one of their best Hunters, should be our Convoy: The Reason which they gave for not sending more, after what had been proposed at Council the 26th, was, that a greater Number might give the *French* Suspicions of some bad Design, and cause them to be treated rudely: But I rather think they could not get their Hunters in.

We set out about 9 o'Clock with the Half King, *Jeskakake*, *White Thunder*, and the Hunter, and travelled on the Road to *Venango*, where we arrived the 4th of *December*, without any Thing remarkable happening but a continued Series of bad Weather.

This is an old *Indian* Town, situated at the Mouth of *French* Creek on *Ohio*, and lies near N. about 60 Miles from the *Logg.*-Town, but more than 70 the Way we were obliged to go.

We found the *French* Colours hoisted at a House which they drove Mr. *John Frazier*, an *English* Subject, from; I immediately repaired to it, to know where the Commander resided: There were three Officers, one of whom, Capt. *Joncaire*, inform'd me, that he had the Command of the *Ohio*, but that there was a General Officer at the near Fort, which he advised me to for an Answer. He invited us to sup with them, and treated us with the greatest Complaisance.

The Wine, as they dosed themselves pretty plentifully with it, soon banished the Restraint which at first appear'd in their Conversation, and gave a License to their Tongues to reveal their Sentiments more freely.

They told me, That it was their absolute Design to take Possession of the *Ohio*, and by G— they would do it; for that they were sensible the *English* could raise two Men for their one; yet they knew, their Motions were too slow and dilatory to prevent any Undertaking of theirs. They pretend to have an undoubted Right to the River, from a Discovery made by one *La Sol* 60 Years ago; and the Rise of this Expedition is, to prevent our settling on the River or Waters of it, as they have heard of some Families moving out in Order thereto. From the best Intelligence I could get, there have been 1500 Men on this Side *Ontario* Lake, but upon the Death of the General all were recalled to about 6 or 700, who were left to garrison four Forts, 150 or thereabouts in each, the first of which is on *French* Creek, near a small Lake, about 60 Miles from *Venango*, near N. N. W. the next lies on Lake *Erie*, where the greatest Part of their Stores are kept, about 15 Miles from the other; from that it is 120 Miles to the carrying Place, at the Falls of Lake *Erie*, where there is a small Fort which they lodge their Goods at, in bringing them from *Montreal*, the Place that all their Stores come from: The next Fort lies about 20 Miles from this, on *Ontario* Lake; between this Fort and *Montreal* there are three others, the first of which is near opposite to the *English* Fort *Oswego*. From the Fort on Lake *Erie* to *Montreal* is about 600 Miles, which they say requires no more, if good Weather, than four Weeks Voyage, if they go in Barks or large Vessels, that they can cross the Lake; but if they come in Canoes it will require 5 or 6 Weeks, for they are oblig'd to keep under the Shore.

5th. Rain'd excessively all Day, which prevented our Travelling. Capt. *Joncaire* sent for the Half King, as he had but just heard that he came with me: He affected to be much concern'd that I did not make free to bring them in before; I excused it in the best Manner I was capable, and told him I did not think their Company agreeable, as I had heard him say a good deal in Dispraise of *Indians* in general; but another Motive prevented me from bringing them into his Company; I knew he was Interpreter, and a Person of very great Influence among the *Indians* and had lately used all possible Means to draw them over to their Interest; therefore I was desirous of giving no Opportunity that could be avoided.

When they came in, there was great Pleasure express'd at seeing them; he wonder'd how they could be so near without coming to visit him, made several trifling Presents, and applied Liquor so fast, that they were soon render'd incapable of the Business they came about, notwithstanding the Caution that was given.

6th. The Half King came to my Tent, quite sober, and insisted very much that I should stay and hear what he had to say to the *French*; I fain would have prevented his speaking any Thing 'till he came to the Commandant; but could not prevail: He told me, that at this Place a Council Fire was kindled, where all their Business with their People was to be transacted, and that the Management of the *Indian* Affairs was left solely to Monsieur *Joncaire*. As I was desirous of knowing the Issue of this, I agreed to stay, but sent our Horses a little Way up *French* Creek, to raft over and encamp; which I knew would make it near Night.

About 10 o'Clock they met in Council; the King spoke much the same as he had before done to the General, and offer'd the *French* Speech Belt which had before been demanded, with the Marks of four Towns on it, which Monsieur *Joncaire* refused to receive; but desired him to carry it to the Fort to the Commander.

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7th. Monſieur *La Force*, Commiſſary of the *French* Stores, and three other Soldiers came over to accompany us up. We found it extremely difficult getting the *Indians* off To day, as every Stratagem had been uſed to prevent their going up with me: I had laſt Night left *John Daviſon* (the *Indian* Interpreter that I brought from the *Loggs* Town with me) ſtrictly charg'd not to be out of their Company, as I could not get them over to my Tent (they having ſome Buſineſs with *Caſtalogo*, to know the Reaſon why he did not deliver up the *French* Belt which he had in Keeping) but was obliged to ſend Mr. *Giſt* over To day to fetch them, which he did with great Perſuaſion.

At 11 o'Clock we ſet out for the Fort, and were prevented from arriving there 'til the 11th by exceſſive Rains, Snows, and bad Travelling, through many Mires and Swamps, which we were obliged to paſs, to avoid croſſing the Creek, which was impoſſible, either by fording or rafting, the Water was ſo high and rapid.

We paſſed over much good Land ſince we left *Venango*, and through ſeveral extenſive and very rich Meadows; one of which I believe was near four Miles in Length, and conſiderably wide in ſome Places.

[*The Remainder in our next.*]

LONDON, December 15.

AT a late Meeting of the *Royal Society*, the annual Beneſaction of Sir GODFREY COPLEY, Bart. (the Gift of which, on the Death of Sir HANS SLOANE, devolv'd upon the Preſident and Council) was, in a Gold Prize Medal, adjudg'd to BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Eſq; of *Philadelphia*, for his uſeful Diſcoveries in Electricity, and deliver'd to be tranſmitted to him by the Care of his worthy Friend Mr. COLLINSON, Fellow of the ſaid Society. On this Occaſion the noble Preſident deliver'd a Speech, which, as it greatly inhances the Value of the Prize, does as much Honour to the Judgment, Candour, and ſtrict Impartiality of the Society, as to the ingenious Perſon ſo deſervedly diſtinguiſh'd by them. To be aſſur'd, that in conſering this annual Prize, conſtant Regard will be had to the Advancement of uſeful Knowledge, and the Honour of the Society, to hear it declar'd, that overlooking their own narrow Circle, they will always, with the generous Spirit of true Philoſophers, eſteem ingenious Men of all Countries Fellow Members with themſelves of the ſame illuſtrious Republic of Letters, and that they will accordingly diſtinguiſh the moſt deſerving, *Tros Rutulúſve*; and to ſee this verified in the preſent Inſtance, muſt excite a laudable Emulation among learned Men, ſince in their Turns they may hope for this valuable Badge of Honour without Friend and without Solſicitation, wherever born, or however diſtant their Reſidence. All who know Mr. FRANKLIN as a Writer, muſt think ſuch a Mark of Diſtinction due to him for his ſucceſsful Endeavours to diſcover the Cauſe of Lightning, and the agreeable Hopes he gives us of being one Day able, by Means of farther Diſcoveries, to ſhield ourſelves from all its dreadful Effects; but Genius is not half his Worth. Thoſe who know him as a Man, muſt think it doubly due to him for his Goodneſs and Benevolence of Heart, his modeſt affectionate Temper, his public Spirit, and all his ſilent private Virtues, which can only be fully known in the Country where they have been long felt.

ANNAPOLIS.

Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman in *London*, to his Friend in *Maryland*, dated *December* 22, 1753.

"*This Nation ſeems to be in a moſt perfect State of Peace and Tranquility, eſpecially ſince the Repeal of the late Act for Naturalizing foreign* Jews, *which, no doubt, you have heard much of abroad: That Act, which did not give the* Jews *much greater Privileges than they now enjoy (indeed it might have been a Step to greater), occaſioned a general Clamour amongſt the People throughout the Nation; and at the Meeting of the Parliament, inſtead of waiting to hear Petitions and Debates on the Subject, both Houſes ſeem'd to ſtrive who ſhould firſt propoſe the Repeal, for it was motion'd in both Houſes the firſt Day of their Meeting: And laſt Thurſday his Majeſty went up to the Houſe, and paſt the Repeal. In ſhort, it ſeems to be the Study at preſent of the Miniſters, as well as the King (who always made it his), to make the People happy and chappy, which is attended with it's natural Conſequence, that never was a King on the Throne more beloved, nor was there ever leſs Oppoſition to the Miniſtry known. At the approaching General Election there ſeems only to be a Struggle betwixt the Candidates, the Miniſtry don't interfere, the Names of* Court *and* Country Intereſt, *are no more made Uſe of; and it is ſaid there are but ſix Boroughs in the Nation, where the old Parties of* Whig *and* Tory *ſubſiſt.*"

Yeſterday Morning about 10 *o'Clock, his Excellency our Governor embarked in Mr.* Middleton's *Boat, for the Eaſtern Shore, and landed at Col.* Lloyd's *on* Wye *River about Two. His Excellency intends a Tour to* Worceſter, Somerſet, Dorcheſter, *and to return again from* Talbot, *about the* 18*th, or* 20*th of next Month.*

The Aſſizes will begin at Worceſter *County, on the Eaſtern Shore, on the* 28*th Inſtant; and at* Baltimore, *on the Weſtern, on the ſecond of* April.

At our County Court, laſt Week, a Negro Man was tried and condemned for Horſe Stealing, and is to be executed next Wedneſday.

We hear from Patapſco, *that the Beginning of this Week, two Men being in a Flat in that River, loaded with Iron Ore, ſhe ſuddenly ſprung a Leak, which one of them obſerving, while his Companion was aſleep, went and waked him, who jump'd up, and got into a Punt, which they had with them, but he who alarm'd him of the Danger, went into the Fore Caſtle, to fetch ſomething, and ſhe ſunk ſo quick that he was drowned, and the other was ſaved.*

Saturday Morning laſt, died, at his Houſe in London Town, *after a tedious Indiſpoſition, Mr.* WILLIAM CHAPMAN, *aged* 67 *Years. He was a Gentleman who had tranſacted a great deal of Buſineſs as a Merchant, with a fair Character; and was, in his younger Years, one of the Magiſtrates of this County. He was an agreeable Companion, a kind Neighbour, a tender Parent, and an honeſt Man.*

We have juſt now received Intelligence from the Weſtward, of 400 French *being come down from the Lakes,* 100 *of which ſtay'd about* Muſhipgum, *and the other* 300 *went down to the lower* Shanoah Town; *they have demanded the* Engliſh *Traders that are there (about* 20 *in Number), to be delivered up to them, which the* Shanoahs *have refuſed to do, and have ſent up for the* Catawas, *to come to their Aſſiſtance. Theſe* 400 French *expect to be join'd by* 400 *more, as ſoon as they can come down from the Lakes. There are* 22 French *in the* Loggs-Town, *who about* 5 *Weeks ago, held a Council with the* Indians; *in which they told them,* That as they had determined not to make their Fire with them, but had done it with their Brothers the *Engliſh*, they might expect to be ſtruck, and that their Brothers the *Engliſh* ſhould ſee the Sun but 20 Days, and then they would deſtroy all the *Indians*: *Upon which* Monocatoocha *took his Tommahawk out of his Boſom, and ſaid,* You have often deceived us, but now you tell us, "You will ſtrike our Brothers "the *Engliſh*," we believe you ſpeak the Truth, come on, we are ready for you, and will ſtand by, and join our Brothers againſt you. *A few Days before the above Council was held, the* French *had taken one* John Patten *Priſoner, which the Half King hearing, went to them, and ſaid to this Effect:* We have ſuffered you to take our Brothers often, and have taken no Notice of it; but ſince you have the Impudence to take our Brother before our Faces, we ſee your Deſign; *upon which he went up to the* French *Captain and knock'd him down, and then turning to* Patten, *he ſaid,* My Brother, you are a Freeman, I diſcharge you, go about your Buſineſs.

To Mr. JONAS GREEN.

SIR, *Cheſapeak, March* 6, 1754.

ON Enquiry, it has been found, that there are (at leaſt) 100 *Marylanders* in the ACADEMY at *Philadelphia*, and it is experimentally known, that the annual Charges, for Cloaths, Schooling, Board, *&c. &c. &c.* amount (at leaſt) to 75*l. Maryland* Currency, 50*l.* Sterling, for each Youth ſent thither, that is to be genteelly and liberally educated. Hence it is evident, that if this Practice continues but 20 Years (at the moderate Computation of 5000*l.* Sterling *per Annum*), there muſt be remitted from *Maryland*, for the Benefit of the *Pennſylvanians*, the round Plumb, or Sum of One Hundred Thouſand Pounds Sterling. Beſides this, 'tis well known, that vaſt Sums are every Year tranſmitted to *France*, *&c.* for the Education of our young Gentlemen of the Popiſh Perſuaſion, *&c.* Tho perhaps ſuperior Politics, Intereſt and Influence may render the ſaving the Money in the latter Caſe (intirely loſt to the Province), impracticable; yet certainly our Proteſtant Patriots might contrive Ways and Means for keeping within *Maryland*, the Caſh advanced (as aforeſaid), for the Uſe of *Pennſylvania*, by eſtabliſhing a College on each Shore, or one at *Annapolis*, at which (if duly endowed, and regulated by proper Statutes) our Proteſtant Youth might be educated much better, cheaper, and more conveniently accommodated, and at the ſame Time the Caſh expended, would ſtill circulate within the Province. If you think theſe Hints deſerve public Conſideration, by inſerting them in your next, you will oblige

Yours, &c.

PHILO MARILANDICUS.

JOHN CAMPBELL,
TAYLOR,

REMOVED from his Houſe, in Town, to his Plantation over *Severn*, hereby gives Notice to his Cuſtomers, that he carries on his Buſineſs, as uſual, having good Hands for that purpoſe, and will Diſpatch Work for his Cuſtomers who ſhall continue to Employ him. He attends in Town, Three Times a Week, and may be met with, either at Mr. *Dick's*, or Mr. *Swan's* Stores, or at his late Dwelling Houſe. 1

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Henry Owings*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as Strays, the three following Creatures, *viz.*

A Brown Bay Mare, branded on one of her Buttocks with an I.

A Brown Bay Mare, branded on her near Buttock thus ( ) has ſome Saddle Spots on each Side of her Back, a long Switch Tail, and is a natural Pacer. 1

And a Brown Bay Mare, branded on both her Buttocks with a Horſe Shoe, and has had ſome Pieces cut out of her right Ear. 2nd

The Owner of Owners may have them again, on proving Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Thomas Butler*, living at *Rock Creek*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a Black Mare, about 12 Hands high, branded on the near Shoulder M, and on the near Buttock C. 1

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges. 2nd

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mr. *Richard Franklin*, near *Weſt River*, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Bay Horſe, about 3 Years old, has three white Feet, a Blaze in his Face, is neither branded nor dock'd. 1

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges. 2nd.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Michael Gillum*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a Mouſe-colour'd Mare, about 13 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock G B, and on the near Shoulder V E. 1

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges. 2nd.

To be RUN for,
On Monday the 15th of *April*,
(Being the Gift of his Excellency,)
AT *Talbot* County Court-Houſe,

a Purſe of TWENTY POUNDS, by any Horſe, Mare or Gelding, (who never then ſhall have won a Prize of above Seven Pounds,) carrying Nine Stone Weight, the beſt of Three Heats, each Heat to be Twice round the Poles on the Race-Ground; to rub Half an Hour between each Heat. The Horſes, *&c.* to be entered with Mr. *Joſiah Coleman*, living at *Talbot* Court-Houſe, on Saturday the 13th, each paying Twenty Shillings Entrance. 2

Such Rules and Orders are to be obſerved, as are uſual on thoſe Occaſions; and if any Diſputes ſhould ariſe, they are to be determined by Gentlemen appointed for that Purpoſe, before ſtarting: and if the 15th ſhould be a rainy Day, the Prize to be run for on the firſt fair Day after.

LOST,

THE firſt Volume of, *The Hiſtory of a Foundling*, by *Henry Fielding*, Eſq; plain Bound, without any Titling. Whoever brings it to the Printer hereof, ſhall have Five Shillings Reward. 2

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *Dorchester* County, on the 23d of *February* last, a Servant Man, named *William Northwood*, an *Englishman*, about 5 Feet and a half high, aged 31 Years, of a brown Complexion, wears his own Hair, has dark Eyes, and by Trade a Sawyer. Had on and took with him a blue Fearnothing Pea Jacket, a double breasted white Cotton short Jacket, without Sleeves, blue Breeches, a Pair of ribb'd Worsted Stockings, and two Pair of Yarn Stockings, a Felt Hat, a Holland Shirt ruffled at the Bosom, a Country coarse Jacket without Sleeves or Buttons. He has got his Indenture with him, and it is very probable has wrote a Discharge on the Back of it. 2

Whoever takes up the said Servant, and secures him so as his Master may get him again, shall have One Pistole Reward, besides what the Law allows, and all reasonable Charges, paid by

Moses Lecompte, junior.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living near *Joppa*, on the 11th of this Inst. *March*, the two following Servant Men, *viz.*

Nathaniel Nichols, an *Irishman*, of a middle Size, about 5 Feet high, wears his own Hair, talks much, and pretends to be a Barber: Had on, and took with him, when he went away, a Cotton Waistcoat, Country Cloth Breeches, two Osnabrigs Shirts, and one Check One, two Pair of Yarn Stockings, Country made Shoes, and a Felt Hat. 2

John Henry, a *Welchman*, talks much, and is about 4 Feet and a Half high: Had on when he went away a brown Wig, an old Hat, an Osnabrigs Shirt, a Country Cloth Jacket, a Pair of Cotton Breeches, Sailor's Trowsers, Yarn Stockings, and a Pair of Negro Shoes.

Whoever takes up the said Servants, and secures them, so that they may be had again, shall have FIVE POUNDS Reward.

George Presbury.

To be Sold by the Subscriber,

GOOD *West India* Rum, *Muscovado* Sugar, Melasses, Coffee, Sash Glass, 12 by 10, 11 by 9, 10 by 8, 6 by 4, and Diamond Glass, Linseed Oil, White Lead, and sundry dry Goods, for Cash, Pork, Beef, Corn, Wheat, Pease, Oats, or Parcels of good Tobacco. 12

Patrick Creagh.

To be Sold by the Subscriber,

FOUR Hundred Acres of choice Land, lying in *Calvert* County, about four Miles below *Lower Marlborough*, and a Mile and a half from the River, is well Timber'd, and the Bounds proved. X

The Terms may be known by applying to

Francis Chew.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of the Rev. Mr. *John Lang*, late of *St. James's* Parish in *Anne-Arundel* County, deceased; and all those indebted to the Estate of Mrs. *Margaret Lang* (Widow of the late Rev. Mr. *Lang*), deceased, are desired to make speedy Payment to the Subscriber, to prevent Trouble: And all those who have any legal Claims on either of the said Estates, are desired to bring them in to, X 7

James Anderson, Executor to Mrs. *Margaret Lang*.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Joshua Bond*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Mare, with a Blaze down her Face, and her near hind Foot white. X

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Possession of *William Herbert*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Horse, not branded, but has a small Star in his Forehead, and his hind Feet are white. X

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Possession of *Solomon Turner*, living on *Bennit's* Creek in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Gelding, branded on the off Shoulder and Buttock with TH (Bottom upwards, join'd in one), has a narrow Blaze in his Face, and a bob Tail; and had on a small Bell.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,

On the 3d Day of the Provincial Court, being the 23d Day of May,

THE Dwelling-House and Lot where *Robert Gordon*, Esq; lately deceased, lived; as also the House where Mr. *William Thornton* now lives, and the Warehouses adjoining, with all the Improvements on the said Lot, for Sterling or Currency, by

Agnes Gordon, Administratrix. 4

Conformable to LAW, X

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *William Hillary* in *Prince George's* County, near *Bladensburg*, taken up as a Stray, a Black Mare, branded with a Heart on her near Shoulder, about 12 Hands and a half high: She has a Colt with her about 8 Months old.

The Owner may have them again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW, X

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mrs. *Priscilla Woodward*, near the Head of *South* River, in *Anne-Arundel* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Black Horse, has no perceivable Brand, but has two white Spots on the off Side of his Back, and another white Spot on his Neck near his Withers, and a bushy Tail.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Baltimore County, *Feb.* 18, 1754.

WHEREAS BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Esq; of *Philadelphia*, has constituted me his Attorney in Fact, for the Western Shore of this Province, for transacting his Affairs: This is therefore to require all Persons indebted to him, on this Side of the Bay, to make speedy Payment of their respective Debts, else they must expect Trouble, from

Their humble Servant, 7

William Young

THE Managers of the *Baltimore* LOTTERY, hereby give Notice, That they will certainly draw it, on Tuesday the 30th of *April* ensuing. 4

N. B. A few of the Tickets are yet to be Sold at the POST OFFICE in *Annapolis*.

ANDREW BUCHANAN,

PERUKE-MAKER,

HAVING lately purchased a large Quantity of all Sorts of the best of *English* HAIRS, will make WIGS of all Fashions, from One Guinea to Four Guineas Price. And any Gentlemen who are pleased to favour him with their Custom, may depend on being served with Fidelity and Care, by

Their humble Servant, X6

Andrew Buchanan.

N. B. Any Wig Makers may be supplied with Hairs, by the Pound, or Ounce, by the said *Buchanan*, at a very reasonable Price.

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And to be Sold by the Printer hereof,

THE LAWS made at the last Session of Assembly.

MARY SALISBURY,

PROPOSES keeping SCHOOL in *Annapolis*, at the House where Mr. *Sparrow* lived, near the Church, to Teach young LADIES FRENCH, and all Sorts of fine NEEDLE WORK, TAPESTRY, EMBROIDERY with Gold and Silver, and every other CURIOUS WORK which can be performed with a Needle, and all Education fit for young LADIES, except Dancing.

N. B. She will take in young LADIES to Board, and proposes to open School the 25th of *March*. Those young LADIES who intend to be her Scholars, are desired to leave their Names at the PRINTING OFFICE.

To be Sold, for ready Money, or short Credit,

THREE Lots of Ground, lying in *Annapolis*, and at present in the Possession of Mr. *Richard Burdus*, with the Dwelling House and Out Houses, and all the other Improvements, such as Paling, Fencing, &c. which at present are in good Repair.

For Title and Price apply to

Robert Swan.

N. B. The Houses and Lots being formerly leased out at Twenty five Pounds *per Annum*, there are six Years of which yet to come.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subscriber will give constant Attendance at his Office, in *Annapolis*, on every Wednesday and Thursday before the Tenth of *April* next, to receive all such Money from the Inhabitants of this County as is due from them for Public Levies, or on any other Account, to

Their humble Servant,

Nathan Hammond, Sheriff of *Anne Arundel* County.

INSPECTORS, who are not yet supplied with Books and Notes for the present Year, may be supplied with any Quantities on Application to

Jonas Green.

A SCHEME of a small LOTTERY; For raising the Sum of 490 Pieces of Eight, for building a public Wharf at *Baltimore Town*.

Numb. of Prizes.		*Pieces of Eight.*		*Total.*
2	of	100	are	200
3	of	50	are	150
3	of	30	are	90
6	of	20	are	120
10	of	15	are	150
20	of	10	are	200
50	of	5	are	250
612	of	3	are	1836
1 first drawn				7
1 last drawn				7
708 Prizes,				3010
1042 Blanks,				
1750 Tickets at 2 Pieces of Eight, are				3500
For the public Wharf				490

By this Scheme there is not one Blank and a half to a Prize.

As there is nothing more wanting than a public Wharf in the Town, where the Trade is greatly increased within a few Years, it is not to be doubted but People will readily Adventure in this Lottery, who are Well-wishers to the Prosperity of the Town and Province.

Many of the Tickets being already engaged, it is suppos'd the Lottery will be full in a very short Time, of which public Notice will be given, and of the Time of Drawing.

A List of the Prizes will be published in the *Maryland* Gazette, as soon as the Drawing is compleated.

The following Persons are appointed Managers, who are to be under Oath, for the true Performance of their Trust, *viz.* Messrs. *John Stevenson, Richard Chase, John Moale, Charles Crexall, William Rogers, Nicholas Rogers, John Ridgely, N. Rumsey Gay, William Lux*, and *Brian Philpot*, jun.

Tickets to be had of any of the Managers, and at the POST-OFFICE, in *Annapolis*.

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Containing the freſheſt Advices foreign and domeſtic.

THURSDAY, *March* 28, 1754.

The Concluſion of Major WASHINGTON's *Journal, begun in our laſt.*

Wedneſday, December 12th, 1753.

I PREPAR'D early to wait upon the Commander, and was received and conducted to him by the ſecond Officer in Command; I acquainted him with my Buſineſs, and offer'd my Commiſſion and Letter, both of which he deſired me to keep 'til the Arrival of Monſieur *Riparti*, Captain at the next Fort, who was ſent for and expected every Hour.

This Commander is a Knight of the military Order of St. *Lewis*, and named *Legardeur de St. Pierre.* He is an elderly Gentleman, and has much the Air of a Soldier; he was ſent over to take the Command, immediately upon the Death of the late General, and arrived here about ſeven Days before me.

At 2 o'Clock the Gentleman that was ſent for arrived, when I offer'd the Letter, *&c.* again; which they receiv'd, and adjourn'd into a private Apartment for the Captain to tranſlate, who underſtood a little *Engliſh*; after he had done it, the Commander deſired I would walk in, and bring my Interpreter to peruſe and correct it, which I did.

13*th*, The chief Officers retired, to hold a Council of War, which gave me an Opportunity of taking the Dimenſions of the Fort, and making what Obſervations I could.

It is ſituated on the South, or Weſt Fork of *French* Creek, near the Water, and is almoſt ſurrounded by the Creek, and a ſmall Branch of it which forms a Kind of an Iſland; four Houſes compoſe the Sides; the Baſtions are made of Piles driven into the Ground, and about 12 Feet above, and ſharp at Top, with Port Holes cut for Cannon and Loop Holes for the ſmall Arms to fire through; there are eight 6 lb. Pieces mounted, two in each Baſtion, and one Piece of four Pound before the Gate; in the Baſtions are a Guard Houſe, Chapel, Doctor's Lodging, and the Commander's private Store, round which are laid Plat-Forms for the Cannon and Men to ſtand on: There are ſeveral Barracks without the Fort, for the Soldiers Dwelling, covered, ſome with Bark, and ſome with Boards, and made chiefly of Logs: There are alſo ſeveral other Houſes, ſuch as Stables, Smith's Shop, *&c.*

I could get no certain Account of the Number of Men here; but according to the beſt Judgment I could form, there are an Hundred excluſive of Officers, of which there are many. I alſo gave Orders to the People that were with me, to take an exact Account of the Canoes that were hauled up to convey their Forces down in the Spring, which they did, and told 50 of Birch Bark, and 170 of Pine, beſides many others that were block'd out, in Readineſs to make

14*th*, As the Snow increaſed very faſt, and our Horſes daily became weaker, I ſent them off unloaded, under the Care of *Barnaby Currin* and two others, to make all convenient Diſpatch to *Venango*, and there wait our Arrival if there was a Proſpect of the Rivers freezing, if not, then to continue down to *Shannapin*'s Town, at the Forks of *Ohio*, and there to wait 'til we came to croſs *Aligany*, intending myſelf to go down by Water, as I had the Offer of a Canoe or Two.

As I found many Plots concerted to retard the *Indians* Buſineſs, and prevent their returning with me; I endeavour'd all that lay in my Power to fruſtrate their Schemes, and hurry them on to execute their intended Deſign; they accordingly preſſed for Admittance this Evening, which at Length was granted them, privately, with the Commander and one or two other Officers: The Half-King told me, that he offer'd the Wampum to the Commander, who evaded taking it, and made many fair Promiſes of Love and Friendſhip; ſaid he wanted to live in Peace, and trade amicably with them, as a Proof of which he would ſend ſome Goods immediately down to the *Loggs* Town for them; but I rather think the Deſign of that is, to bring away all our ſtraggling Traders they meet with, as I privately underſtood they intended to carry an Officer, *&c.* with them; and what rather confirms this Opinion, I was enquiring of the Commander, by what Authority he had made Priſoners of ſeveral of our *Engliſh* Subjects; he told me that the Country belong'd to them, that no *Engliſhman* had a Right to trade upon thoſe Waters; and that he had Orders to make every Perſon Priſoner that attempted it on the *Ohio*, or the Waters of it.

I enquir'd of Capt. *Riparti* about the Boy that was carried by, as it was done while the Command devolved on him, between the Death of the late General, and the Arrival of the preſent; he acknowleged, that a Boy had been carried paſt, and that the *Indians* had two or three white Mens Scalps, (I was told by ſome of the *Indians* at *Venango* Eight) but pretended to have forgot the Name of the Place that the Boy came from, and all the Particulars, though he queſtion'd him for ſome Hours, as they were carrying him paſt: I likewiſe enquired what they had done with *John Trotter* and *James MacClocklan*, two *Pennſylvania* Traders, whom they had taken, with all their Goods: They told me, that they had been ſent to *Canada*, but were now returned Home.

This Evening I received an Anſwer to his Honour the Governor's Letter from the Commandant.

15*th*, The Commandant ordered a plentiful Store of Liquor, Proviſion, *&c.* to be put on board our Canoe, and appeared to be extremely complaiſant, though he was exerting every Artifice that he could invent to ſet our own *Indians* at Variance with us, to prevent their going 'til after our Departure: Preſents, Rewards, and every Thing that could be ſuggeſted by him or his Officers —— I can't ſay that ever in my Life I ſuffer'd ſo much Anxiety as I did in this Affair; I ſaw that every Stratagem that the moſt fruitful Brain could invent, was practiſed, to win the Half King to their Intereſt, and that leaving Him here was giving them the Opportunity they aimed at.——I went to the Half-King, and preſs'd him in the ſtrongeſt Terms to go: He told me the Commandant would not diſcharge him 'til the Morning. I then went to the Commandant, and deſired him to do their Buſineſs, and complain'd of ill Treatment; for keeping them, as they were Part of my Company, was detaining me; which he promiſed not to do, but to forward my Journey as much as he could: He proteſted he did not keep them, but was ignorant of the Cauſe of their Stay; though I ſoon found it out:——He had promiſed them a Preſent of Guns, *&c.* if they would wait 'til the Morning.

As I was very much preſs'd, by the *Indians*, to wait this Day for them, I conſented, on a Promiſe, That nothing ſhould hinder them in the Morning.

16*th*, The *French* were not ſlack in their Inventions to keep the *Indians* this Day alſo; but as they were obligated, according to Promiſe, to give the Preſent, they then endeavoured to try the Power of Liquor, which I doubt not would have prevailed at any other Time than this, but I urged and inſiſted with the King ſo cloſely upon his Word, that he refrained, and ſet off with us as he had engaged.

We had a tedious and very fatiguing Paſſage down the Creek, ſeveral Times we had like to have been ſtaved againſt Rocks, and many Times were obliged all Hands to get out and remain in the Water Half an Hour or more, getting over the Shoals; at one Place the Ice had lodged and made it impaſſable by Water; therefore we were obliged to carry our Canoe acroſs a Neck of Land, a Quarter of a Mile over. We did not reach *Venango*, till the 22d, where we met with our Horſes.

This Creek is extremely crooked, I dare ſay the Diſtance between the Fort and *Venango* can't be leſs than 130 Miles, to follow the Meanders.

23*d*, When I got Things ready to ſet off, I ſent for the Half King, to know whether he intended to go with us, or by Water, he told me that *White-Thunder* had hurt himſelf much, and was ſick and unable to walk, therefore he was obliged to carry him down in a Canoe: As I found he intended to ſtay here a Day or two, and knew that Monſieur *Joncaire* would employ every Scheme to ſet him againſt the *Engliſh* as he had before done; I told him I hoped he would guard againſt his Flattery, and let no fine Speeches influence him in their Favour: He deſired I might not be concerned, for he knew the *French* too well, for any Thing to engage him in their Behalf; and though he could not go down with us, he would endeavour to meet at the Forks with *Joſeph Campbell*, to deliver a Speech for me to carry to his Honour the Governor. He told me he would order the young Hunter to attend us, and get Proviſion, *&c.* if wanted.

Our Horſes were now ſo weak and feeble, and the Baggage heavy, as we were obliged to provide all the Neceſſaries that the Journey would require; that we doubted much their performing it; therefore myſelf and others (except the Drivers which were obliged to ride) gave up our Horſes for Packs, to aſſiſt along with the Baggage; I put myſelf in an *Indian* Dreſs, and continued with them three Days, till I found there was no Probability of their getting in, in any reaſonable Time; the Horſes grew leſs able to travel every Day; the Cold increaſed very faſt, and the Roads were becoming much worſe by a deep Snow, continually freezing; and as I was uneaſy to get back, to make Report of my Proceedings to his Honour the Governor, I determined to proſecute my Journey the neareſt Way through the Woods, on Foot.

Accordingly I left Mr. *Van Braam* in Charge of our Baggage, with Money and Directions, to provide Neceſſaries from Place to Place for themſelves and Horſes, and to make the moſt convenient Diſpatch in.

I took my neceſſary Papers, pulled off my Cloaths, tied myſelf up in a Match Coat, and with my Pack at my Back with my Papers and Proviſions in it, and a Gun, ſet out with Mr. *Giſt*, fitted in the ſame Manner, on *Wedneſday* the 26th. The Day following, juſt after we had paſſed a Place called the *Murdering Town*, where we intended to quit the Path, and ſteer acroſs the Country for *Shannapins Town*, we fell in with a Party of *French Indians*, who had lain in Wait for us; one of them fired at Mr. *Giſt* or me, not 15 Steps, but fortunately miſſed. We took this Fellow into Cuſtody, and kept him till about 9 o'Clock at Night, and then let him go, and walked all the remaining Part of the Night without making any Stop, that we might get the Start ſo far, as to be out of the Reach of their Purſuit the next Day, as we were well aſſured they would follow our Track as ſoon as it was light: The next Day we continued travelling till quite dark, and got to the River about 2 Miles above *Shannapins*; we expected to have found the River frozen, but it was not, only about 50 Yards from each Shore; the Ice I ſuppoſe had broke up above, for it was driving in vaſt Quantities.

There was no Way for getting over but on a Raft, which we ſet about, with but one poor Hatchet, and got finiſhed juſt after Sun ſetting, after a whole Day's Work; we got it launched, and on board of it, and ſet off; but before we were half Way over, we were jammed in the Ice in ſuch a Manner that we expected every Moment our Raft to ſink, and ourſelves to periſh; I put out my ſetting Pole to try to ſtop the Raft, that the Ice might paſs by, when the Rapidity of the Stream threw it with ſo much Violence againſt the Pole, that it jirked me out into 10 Feet Water, but I fortunately ſaved myſelf by catching hold of one of the

the Raft Logs; notwithstanding all our Efforts we could not get the Raft to either Shore, but were obliged, as we were near an Island, to quit our Raft and make to it.

The Cold was so extremely severe, that Mr. *Gist* had all his Fingers, and some of his Toes frozen, and the Water was shut up so hard, that we found no Difficulty in getting off the Island on the Ice in the Morning, and went to Mr. *Frazier's*. We met here with 20 Warriors, who were going to the Southward to War, but coming to a Place upon the Head of the great *Cunnaway*, where they found 7 People killed and scalped, all but one Woman with very light Hair, they turned about and ran back, for Fear the Inhabitants should rise and take them as the Authors of the Murder: They report that the People were lying about the House, and some of them much torn and eaten by Hogs: By the Marks that were left, they say they were *French Indians* of the *Ottoway* Nation, *&c.* that did it.

As we intended to take Horses here, and it required some Time to find them, I went up about 3 Miles to the Mouth of *Yaughyaughgane* to visit Queen *Alliquippa*, who had expressed great Concern that we passed her in going to the Fort. I made her a Present of a Match Coat and a Bottle of Rum, which latter was thought much the best Present of the two.

Tuesday the 1st Day of *January*, we left Mr. *Frazier's* House, and arrived at Mr. *Gist's* at *Monongahela* the 2d, where I bought Horse, Saddle, *&c.* The 6th we met 17 Horses loaded with Materials and Stores for a Fort at the Forks of *Ohio*, and the Day after some Families going out to settle: This Day we arrived at *Wills* Creek, after as fatiguing a Journey as it is possible to conceive, rendered so by excessive bad Weather: From the first Day of *December* to the 15th, there was but one Day but it rained or snowed incessantly; and throughout the whole Journey we met with nothing but one continued Series of cold wet Weather, which occasioned very uncomfortable Lodgings, especially after we had left our Tent, which was some Screen from the Inclemency of it.

On the 11th I got to *Belvoir* where I stopped one Day to take necessary Rest, and then set out, and arrived in *Williamsburg* the 16th, and waited upon his Honour the Governor with the Letter I had brought from the *French* Commandant, and to give an Account of the Proceedings of my Journey, which I beg Leave to do by offering the foregoing, as it contains the most remarkable Occurrences that happened to me.

I hope it will be sufficient to satisfy your Honour with my Proceedings; for that was my Aim in undertaking the Journey, and chief Study through out the Prosecution of it.

With the Hope of doing it, I, with infinite Pleasure, subscribe myself,

Your Honour's most Obedient,
And very humble Servant,
G. WASHINGTON.

COPY of the Governor of *Virginia's* Letter to the Commandant of the *French* Forces on the *OHIO.*

SIR,

THE Lands upon the River Ohio, *in the Western Parts of the Colony of* Virginia, *are so notoriously known to be the Property of the Crown of* Great Britain, *that it is a Matter of equal Concern and Surprize to me, to hear that a Body of* French *Forces are erecting Fortresses, and making Settlements upon that River, within his Majesty's Dominions.*

The many and repeated Complaints I have received of these Acts of Hostility, lay me under the Necessity of sending, in the Name of the King my Master, the Bearer hereof, George Washington, *Esq; one of the Adjutants General of the Forces of this Dominion, to complain to you of the Encroachments thus made, and of the Injuries done to the Subjects of* Great Britain, *in open Violation of the Law of Nations, and the Treaties now subsisting between the two Crowns.*

If these Facts are true, and you shall think fit to justify your Proceedings, I must desire you to acquaint me, by whose Authority and Instructions you have lately marched from Canada, *with an armed Force, and invaded the King of* Great Britain's *Territories, in the Manner complained of; that according to the Purport and Resolution of your Answer, I may act agreeably to the Commission I am honoured with, from the King my Master.*

However, Sir, in Obedience to my Instructions, it becomes my Duty to require your peaceable Departure; and that you would forbear prosecuting a Purpose so interruptive of the Harmony and good Understanding, which his Majesty is desirous to continue and cultivate with the most Christian King.

I persuade myself you will receive and entertain Major Washington *with the Candour and Politeness natural to your Nation; and it will give me the greatest Satisfaction, if you return him with an Answer suitable to my Wishes for a very long and lasting Peace between us.*

I have the Honour to subscribe myself,

SIR,

Your most Obedient,
Humble Servant,
ROBERT DINWIDDIE.

Williamsburg, *in* Virginia,
October 31*st*, 1753.

[*The Answer to this Letter, from the* French *Officer, the Reader has already had, in our* Gazette N°. 461.]

BOSTON, January 31.

AFTER a Spell of moderate Weather the Beginning of last Week, there suddenly came on very high and heavy Winds, first at about West, and then more Northerly, and extreme Cold, which lasted all Monday Night and the Day following; most of the fishing Boats of this Town, being out in the Bay, when the Weather alter'd, it was with great Difficulty that some of them got back into the Harbour. One of the said Boats ran upon George's Island, the Skipper whereof, named Burt, and another Man, named Perryway, were both froze to Death, the former has left a Widow and five Children. Two other Men belonging to the Boat, got into a House and saved their Lives; another of the said fishing Boats endeavouring to get in, and being within a little Distance *from* the Light House, had her Sails blown to Pieces, and was then driven before the Wind all Night, and the next Morning the Men found themselves at a Place called Nobscusset, on Cape Cod, where they got safe ashore, and two of them came to Town by Land last Saturday Night. Also a Lighter from Weymouth loaded with Wood, meeting the Gale, came to an Anchor near the Castle; but by the Violence of the Wind, she was drove from her Anchor, and ran ashore near Hangman's Island, where she soon after sunk; the Skipper named Nash, and his Negro Man got on the Island into a small Hut, and sav'd their Lives, but continuing without Food or Fire till Wednesday Morning, when they were taken off, they were almost Spent; two young Men of this Town, the one named Barnard, the other Loring, with another belonging to Weymouth, perish'd in the Boat. Two of our fishing Boats that were seen in the Bay just before the Weather alter'd, having five Men in each, being yet missing, 'tis fear'd they are lost.

We hear that a Brig and a Schooner are ashore on Cape Cod, and that the Brig has lost three of her Hands.

We hear also from Newbury, that one Mr. Flood, was froze to Death.

A Vessel which arrived here last Friday from Halifax, brings an Account of an Insurrection which happen'd at Lunenburg, formerly called Marlagash, settled last Summer by a Number of English and Germans from Halifax; some of the Particulars of which Insurrection we have in the following Extracts of two Letters from a Gentleman that was on the Spot a few Days after it happen'd, to one in this Town, viz.

Lunenburg, January 2, 1754.

"The Monday after I left Boston, we put in here:——I was agreeably surpriz'd to find my Friend Col. Monckton here: A Tumult of the Germanic Body, occasion'd his visiting Lunenburg with a Party of 200 Men.——He stays here 'til he can trace the Riot to its Source:——He is now busy in taking Examination, committing those inform'd against, &c.——This Disturbance was created by a Letter feign'd to be receiv'd by one Peterkin here, from a Brother of his in London; in which Letter they say, was a particular Account of the generous Allowance of Parliament to the Germans, viz. All Materials to build with, Cloathing, Fishing Tackle, better Provisions, and Three Shillings a Day. The Contents of this suppos'd Letter were diffused thro' the whole: The Inhabitants, of course, if they gave Credit to it, would take some Means to enjoy those Advantages; the first Step they took was to demand a Sight of the Letter.——Peterkin could not produce it to them; then they torture'd him to know what became of it; in his Tortures he swore he gave it to Mr. Zouberbuhler; and that he swore him to Secrecy to deny he had ever receiv'd such a Letter.——They all flew to Arms the Seventeenth at Night;——Zouberbuhler got a Hint that they intended to Sacrifice him, and he fled to the Fort; They demanded him to be deliver'd to them, threaten'd to destroy the Forts and Storehouses, and put all the English to Death; they fir'd upon a Log House in which was a Corporal's Guard; the Corporal return'd it, and wounded two of them:——As the Troops in the Forts were an insignificant Number, compar'd with them, who were Five Hundred fighting Men, they could not venture to use any Force to suppress them. Capt. Sutherland sent one of his Officers at Night, to get aboard a little Vessel lying in the Harbour, she sail'd next Morning, and in a few Hours got to Halifax. Col. Lawrence with extraordinary Dispatch sent them Succours; for tho' Rogers, and Taggart were both unrigg'd and hawl'd up, yet they were made ready, and brought Col. Monckton here, with two Hundred Men in four Days after the first Notice. The Germans swore they would not suffer a Man to Land. The Col. order'd the Masters of the Vessels, to have their Carriage Guns and Swivels in Order, and under cover of these he landed. The Germans very prudently declin'd Opposition. He has stripp'd them all of their Arms, and will leave a Part of those Troops he brought with him to protect them from the common Enemy. He has committed several of the Leaders, who he will take to Halifax with him. The whole, I fancy, will be unravel'd by and by:——Col. Monckton tells me, the French have retir'd from Ohio."

P. S. Lunenburg, 8th January, 1754.

The Colonel by Dint of Perseverance has at last unravel'd this close lai: Piece of Villainy:——Mr. Hoffman is discovered to be the Author of the incendiary Letter.——He is now Prisoner on board Capt. Taggart, who carries him to Halifax, in order to take his Trial before the Governor and Council.——

Halifax, January 16, 1754.

"This Day I arrived with Col. Monckton from Lunenburg. I gave you an Account in a former Letter of the late Insurrection at Lunenburg: The Col. has humbled their rebellious Spirits; he has traced the Scheme through all its Meanders to the Source of Mischief Mr. Hoffman, who is now closely confin'd in the Provost here: The Evidences which Col. Monckton has this Day brought with him, and his own Letter to Mr. Webb, are sufficient to convict him, if the Law admits of it.——During my Stay at Lunenburg, I reconnitred the Country adjacent as far as Le Have and Mahone Bay. This last Place is on the East Side of Marlegash, and Le Have on the Western Side: There is almost a Communication with Lunenburg and Le Have by Water: The Distance over Land is not quite a Mile. Mahone Bay is perhaps one of the richest and most curious Places in North-America: There are in it One hundred and eighty Islands; which are all surrounded with a smooth and pleasant Beach: Each Island is a secure Harbour, and the Land of an excellent Nature; being cover'd chiefly with Oaks.——Had these insolent Wretches the Patience to consider the Means they have of becoming independent and comfortable, by applying themselves with a little Industry to the Cultivation of these Lands, which Nature has been so profuse in, that I am certain in a few Years this Settlement, would not be among the least considerable of America. I hear that the French Fort is tumbling to Pieces, our's has been new picked this Summer, and all the Earth Work repair'd; so that it is in a much better Condition than the French.—— Yours, &c."

Extract of a Letter from Newbury, *dated* Feb. 12, 1754.

"Last Saturday Evening, after having observ'd, for about an Hour, Lightning at some Distance from us to the N. W. and low Thunder, a little before Eight o'Clock, we had two very severe Claps, which seemed to proceed from a Cloud directly over our Heads in this Part of the Town where I live. The Lightning of the latter (which was presently upon the former) struck the Spire of our (Mr. Lowell's) Meeting House, cut it asunder at some considerable Distance from the Weather-Cock, shattered the remaining lower Part and Cupola very much, flew down into the Steeple, shiver'd the Foot of one of the Corner Posts, broke several Windows of it almost all to Pieces, and others in the Body of the Meeting House on one Side of the Steeple, damaged two or three Pews on the same Side, especially in the Gallery, but no great Injury is done to the House within. The Steeple had lately been repaired at a considerable Cost, which makes the Blow the heavier; but we would in this give Thanks, that no Life is lost, or any Person hurt. Some Houses near the Meeting-House

House sustained some Damage by their Windows being broke. We had in the midst of the Shower, Hail of the Bigness of Pistol Bullets, but little or no Wind."

By other Letters, and some Persons from Newbury, we learn, that the Clock in the Meeting-House received some Damage, the leaden Weights being partly melted, &c. and that the Town Stock of Gun Powder, which was kept in a Loft of the Meeting House, narrowly escaped being set on Fire, some of the Bullets, which lay very near the Powder, being melted by the Lightning.

And from Andover we hear, that the same Evening, about Eight o'Clock, they had at that Town a violent Tempest of Wind, with Rain, Hail, Thunder, and Lightning: The Wind was so exceeding high, that it blew off the Roof of a House entirely, and thereupon the Rain pour'd down so fast into the Rooms that the Inhabitants were obliged to leave it: Several Barns were also blown down, and Creatures therein kill'd: The Roof of the Rev. Mr. Phillips's Meeting House, about the third Part of it on the East and West Side, was forcibly raised to a considerable Distance from the Rafters; and the Glass of the Windows of Mr. Phillips's Dwelling House, much broken; and a great deal of other Damage done in the Town.

NEW-YORK.

March 4. We learn by Capt. Duncan, of the Sloop Batchelor, of this Port, who arrived here last Thursday from Coracoa, but last from Jamaica in 28 Days. That on the 25th of December last, a smart Engagement happened off Wann's Keys on the Spanish Main, between a Coracoa Sloop and a Spanish Guarda Costa, in which the latter was soundly drubbed, and thought to have escaped by running ashore; but being closely pursued by the Coracoaers, they set her a fire; and all the Crew, which consisted of upwards of 120, (save five) that escaped in the Engagement, were either burnt on board, or drowned, in endeavouring to escape ashore. The Coracoa Man came off victorious, with the Loss of eight Men killed and wounded.

Last Week Capt. Edward Menzie arrived here from Rhode Island, by whom we have the following Particulars relating to his Misfortune, viz. He sailed from hence in a Brig in June 1752, bound for Honduras Bay, and on the last Day of February 1753, was taken off Key Bokell by a Spanish Brig of 12 Carriage, and 30 Swivel Guns, and carried into Port Mahoo, where he with many more Englishmen were confined on board a Vessel for six Months, and used in the most cruel and unchristian like Manner, being often Days together without either Meat or Drink; and the only Provisions they had given them was Carolina Pork, and so rotten, that by giving it one Shake, it would fall to Pieces from the Bone; sometimes Drink and no Victuals; and at other Times, Victuals and no Drink. During his Confinement, Capt. Kenneway in a Ship from Philadelphia, and Capt. Swan in a Sloop, were carried in there, both of which died, chiefly owing to their Want of the common Necessaries of Life. In their Sickness, they entreated the Governor for the Assistance of an English Physician then there; but their Answer was, *Let the Heretic Dogs die and be damn'd, and 'tis a Pity that all such Vermin were not cut off the Face of the Earth.*" In a short Time after, a Brig from Jamaica arrived at Port Mahoo, when Capt. Menzie was set at Liberty, and took his Passage in her to the Musqueto Shore, where he was kindly received, and met with exceeding good Usage from Mr. Pitts, and the Rest of the Gentlemen of that Place; but not meeting with a Passage hither, according to Expectation, was unfortunately taken a second Time in his Way to the Bay, by one of the King of Spain's Gallies, in the Sloop Mary, Capt. Burger, of this Port, as has been already mentioned in this Paper; but the Spanish Captain commiserating his unhappy Fate, gave him and another Englishman, a small Craft, in which they got safe to the Bay, and from thence Capt. Menzie took his Passage with Capt. Mosley to Rhode Island.

PHILADELPHIA.

February 19. Last Week the Mayor's Court was held here, when a Number of Persons were indicted and convicted of Felony, and other Crimes. Eight Men were order'd to be whipt, three of which at the Cart's Tail, round two Squares; and Daniel Jeffron (one of the eight) besides being to be whipt twice (the Jury finding two Indictments against him, for uttering Counterfeit Maryland Ten Shilling Bills) was sentenced to stand one Hour in the Pillory, to have the Tip of his Right ear nail'd to it, and the Part nail'd cut off; which Punishment he suffer'd on Saturday last.

March 5. Capt. M'Clelland from Seville in Spain, (which he left the 3d of January), informs us, that War was to be declared by Spain against the Danes in a few Days after he came away.

We have Letters from Barbados which mention that War was actually declared between the Danes and Spaniards.

By Letters from London, dated the 18th of December, there is Advice, that the Report of the Algerines declaring War against England was entirely groundless.

March 12. By Captain Salter, of the Sloop Polly, of this Port, from the Coast of Africa (but last from Antigua) we have the following Account, and insert it as a Caution to all those who may have Occasion to trade there, that for the future they may be more upon their Guard, than they generally have been, while any of the Natives are on board their Vessels. The melancholy Affair is thus related, viz.

"That Captain William Cawfield, in the Race-Horse, of London, being trading on the Coast last Fall, went into Sowsa River, and there purchased about Twenty eight Slaves: That having Business with the white Traders, he went ashore, and travelled to their Settlement, about eight Leagues from the Place where his Vessel lay: That on the 6th of October, about Four in the Morning, a Canoe came along Side of his Ship (while he was absent) and on being asked what their Business was, the Natives answered, they had a Slave to sell, and were then invited on board: That the Watch, not apprehensive of their barbarous Design, went to sleep some time after they had got into the Vessel; upon which they took the Advantage, and fell upon them with their Knives, Cutlasses, &c. and murdered eleven of the Crew, consisting of thirteen; the other two, with much Difficulty, getting into the Boat, in order to make their Escape; but one of them was so badly wounded, that he died soon after; and the other miraculously got ashore into the Woods, or rather dismal Swamps, where he must soon have perished, had not a Native seen him, who took him out of that miserable Situation, and sold him to the White Traders, at the Price they have for their own Slaves: That the Captain returned the next Day from the White Traders, and to his great Surprize, found his Vessel higher up than where he left her, and imagined something more than ordinary must have happened; whereupon Captain Salter, with some of the Traders, went with him to see what was the Matter, and to help him to get her down again to the Place where she was before; but, on their coming to the Ship, found her Cables had been cut, and that she had driven with the Flood Tide, 'til she ran ashore: That when they went on board, they found nothing but Blood and Brains on the Deck and Cabin Floor, and the Chief Mate's Bed in Puddles of Blood, but not a Soul to be seen dead or alive; from which they concluded the Slaves they had on board had committed the horrid Deed, 'til they were better informed by the Man that escaped in the Boat. The Villains had plundered the Ship of every Thing, carrying the Slaves off with them, and left nothing but the Rigging and Sails, with which she was got safe to Serra Lion."

ANNAPOLIS.

A Gentleman in Virginia, *writes to one in this Town, in a Postscript to a Letter, dated* March 20, "*I have just now had certain Advice, that the* "*General Assembly of* North Carolina *have voted* "7000 l. *on the present Occasion.*"

A Sloop of about 45 *Tons,* William Curtis, *Master, belonging to Mr.* Creagh, *sail'd from hence some Weeks ago, in order to load on the Eastern Shore; but we have an Account that the Crew, consisting of two White Men, and a Mulatto, have run away with the Vessel and Cargo, and 'tis supposed they have murdered the Master; one of the Men having been seen with the Master's Cloaths on. A Boat well mann'd and arm'd sailed from hence last Sunday in quest of them, but are not yet returned.*

The last Ships from England, *bring the melancholy Account of the Plague having broke out at* Rouen *in* France, *and that the City was surrounded by Troops to prevent it's spreading.*

Monday last one John Orrick, *having taken up one* John Oulton, *(a Convict Servant, who had run away from the* Baltimore *Iron Works, and bound him) after carrying him some Time, unbound him to let him eat, but the Villain having his Hands at Liberty, stabb'd Mr.* Orrick *in the Breast, and otherways wounded him, so that his Life was despair'd of, and then made off.*

Yesterday the Negro Fellow condemn'd at the last County Court for Horse Stealing, was executed at the Gallows. He had the Character of being a great Rogue; having been sold to six or seven different Masters in a few Months.

THE SLOOP *Hester*, WILLIAM MURPHY, Master, now bound for *Philadelphia*, and will return immediately to *Maryland*: For Freight apply to Mr. *Reese Meredith*, Merchant, in *Philadelphia*, Mr. *Charles Christie*, at *Joppa*, or *Anthony M'Culloch*, at *Queen' Town*.

WILLIAM ELTON,
PERUKE-MAKER,
Living near the Dock in Annapolis,

HAVING lately procured a very neat, skilful Hand, and vast Variety of the best of *English* HAIRS, will make WIGS of any Sorts, and at the cheapest Rates.

He also sells Cauls, Silk and Thread, for Wig-making; likewise Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Rock Indigo, *&c.*

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Absolom Butler*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as a Stray, a well-set small Bay Horse, branded on the near Buttock L, is shod before, and has a white Spot in his Forehead.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Possession of *William Pearce*, in *Baltimore Town*, taken up as a Stray, a small Black Mare, about 12 Hands high, neither dock'd nor branded, and is about two Years old.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

To be SOLD, by Public Vendue, in the Parade in Annapolis, *on the second Day of the Provincial Court in* May, *as soon as the Court adjourns, in the Afternoon,*

THREE Hundred and Twenty Nine Acres of Land, being a good Plantation, in *Baltimore* County, whereon is a good Dwelling House, Tobacco House, and an Orchard of 400 Apple Trees. The Plantation and Improvements are valued to be worth more than 200 *l.* Sterling, but will be set up at 115 *l.* and the Title indisputable. *Roger Randall.*

JOHN CAMPBELL,
TAYLOR,

REMOVED from his House, in Town, to his Plantation over *Severn*, hereby gives Notice to his Customers, that he carries on his Business, as usual, having good Hands for that purpose, and will Dispatch Work for his Customers who shall continue to Employ him. He attends in Town, Three Times a Week, and may be met with, either at Mr. *Dick's*, or Mr. *Swan's* Stores, or at his late Dwelling House.

To be RUN for,
On Monday the 15th of *April*,
(Being the Gift of his Excellency,)
AT *Talbot* County Court-House,

a Purse of TWENTY POUNDS, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding, (who never then shall have won a Prize of above Seven Pounds,) carrying Nine Stone Weight, the best of Three Heats, each Heat to be Twice round the Poles on the Race-Ground; to rub Half an Hour between each Heat. The Horses, *&c.* to be entered with M. *Josiah Coleman*, living at *Talbot* Court-House, on Saturday the 13th, each paying Twenty Shillings Entrance.

Such Rules and Orders are to be observed, as are usual on those Occasions; and if any Disputes should arise, they are to be determined by Gentlemen appointed for that Purpose, before starting; and if the 15th should be a rainy Day, the Prize to be run for on the first fair Day after.

LOST,

THE first Volume of, *The History of a Foundling*, by *Henry Fielding*, Esq; plain Bound, without any Titling. Whoever brings it to the Printer hereof, shall have Five Shillings Reward.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living in *Dorcheſter* County, on the 23d of *February* laſt, a Servant Man, named *William Northwood*, an *Engliſhman*, about 5 Feet and a half high, aged 31 Years, of a brown Complexion, wears his own Hair, has dark Eyes, and by Trade a Sawyer. Had on and took with him a blue Fearnothing Pea Jacket, a double breaſted white Cotton ſhort Jacket, without Sleeves, blue Breeches, a Pair of ribb'd Worſted Stockings, and two Pair of Yarn Stockings, a Felt Hat, a Holland Shirt ruffled at the Boſom, a Country coarſe Jacket without Sleeves or Buttons. He has got his Indenture with him, and it is very probable has wrote a Diſcharge on the Back of it.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him ſo as his Maſter may get him again, ſhall have One Piſtole Reward, beſides what the Law allows, and reaſonable Charges, paid by

Moſes Lecompte, junior.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living near *Joppa*, on the 11th of this Inſt. *March*, the two following Servant Men, *viz.*

Nathaniel Nichols, an *Iriſhman*, of a middle Size, about 5 Feet high, wears his own Hair, talks much, and pretends to be a Barber: Had on, and took with him, when he went away, a Cotton Waiſtcoat, Country Cloth Breeches, two Oſnabrigs Shirts, and one Check One, two Pair of Yarn Stockings, Country made Shoes, and a Felt Hat.

John Henry, a *Welchman*, talks much, and is about 4 Feet and a Half high: Had on when he went away a brown Wig, an old Hat, an Oſnabrigs Shirt, a Country Cloth Jacket, a Pair of Cotton Breeches, Sailor's Trowſers, Yarn Stockings, and a Pair of Negro Shoes.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servants, and ſecures them, ſo that they may be had again, ſhall have FIVE POUNDS Reward.

George Presbury.

To be Sold by the Subſcriber,

GOOD *Weſt India* Rum, *Muſcovado* Sugar, Melaſſes, Coffee, Saſh Glaſs, 12 by 10, 11 by 9, 10 by 8, 6 by 4, and Diamond Glaſs, Linſeed Oil, White Lead, and ſundry dry Goods, for Caſh, Pork, Beef, Corn, Wheat, Peaſe, Oats, or Parcels of good Tobacco.

Patrick Creagh.

To be Sold by the Subſcriber,

FOUR Hundred Acres of choice Land, lying in *Calvert* County, about four Miles below *Lower Marlborough*, and a Mile and a half from the River, is well Timber'd, and the Bounds proved.

The Terms may be known by applying to

Francis Chew.

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of the Rev. Mr. *John Lang*, late of *St. James's* Pariſh in *Anne-Arundel* County, deceaſed; and all thoſe indebted to the Eſtate of Mrs. *Margaret Lang* (Widow of the late Rev. Mr. *Lang*), deceaſed, are deſired to make ſpeedy Payment to the Subſcriber, to prevent Trouble: And all thoſe who have any legal Claims on either of the ſaid Eſtates, are deſired to bring them in to,

James Anderſon, Executor to Mrs. *Margaret Lang*.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Joſhua Bond*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Bay Mare, with a Blaze down her Face, and her near hind Foot white.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Poſſeſſion of *William Herbert*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Bay Horſe, not branded, but has a ſmall Star in his Forehead, and his hind Feet are white.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Poſſeſſion of *Solomon Turner*, living on *Bennit's* Creek in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Bay Gelding, branded on the off Shoulder and Buttock with TH (Bottom upwards, join'd in one), has a narrow Blaze in his Face, and a bob Tail; and had on a ſmall Bell.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,

On the 3d Day of the Provincial Court, being the 23d Day of May,

THE Dwelling-Houſe and Lot where *Robert Gordon*, Eſq; lately deceaſed, lived; as alſo the Houſe where Mr. *William Thornton* now lives, and the Warehouſes adjoining, with all the Improvements on the ſaid Lot, for Sterling or Currency, by

Agnes Gordon, Adminiſtratrix.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *William Hillary* in *Prince George's* County, near *Bladenſburg*, taken up as a Stray, a Black Mare, branded with a Heart on her near Shoulder, about 12 Hands and a half high: She has a Colt with her about 8 Months old.

The Owner may have them again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mrs. *Priſcilla Woodward*, near the Head of *South* River, in *Anne-Arundel* County, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Black Horſe, has no perceivable Brand, but has two white Spots on the off Side of his Back, and another white Spot on his Neck near his Withers, and a buſhy Tail.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Baltimore County, *Feb.* 18, 1754.

WHEREAS BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Eſq; of *Philadelphia*, has conſtituted me his Attorney in Fact, for the Weſtern Shore of this Province, for tranſacting his Affairs: This is therefore to require all Perſons indebted to him, on this Side of the Bay, to make ſpeedy Payment of their reſpective Debts, elſe they muſt expect Trouble, from

Their humble Servant,

William Young

THE Managers of the *Baltimore* LOTTERY, hereby give Notice, That they will certainly draw it, on Tueſday the 30th of *April* enſuing.

N. B. A few of the Tickets are yet to be Sold at the POST OFFICE in *Annapolis*.

ANDREW BUCHANAN,

PERUKE-MAKER,

HAVING lately purchaſed a large Quantity of all Sorts of the beſt of *Engliſh* HAIRS, will make WIGS of all Faſhions, from One Guinea to Four Guineas Price. And any Gentlemen who are pleaſed to favour him with their Cuſtom, may depend on being ſerved with Fidelity and Care, by

Their humble Servant,

Andrew Buchanan.

N. B. Any Wig Makers may be ſupplied with Hairs, by the Pound, or Ounce, by the ſaid *Buchanan*, at a very reaſonable Price.

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THE LAWS made at the laſt Seſſion of Aſſembly.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Henry Owings*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as Strays, the three following Creatures, *viz.*

A Brown Bay Mare, branded on one of her Buttocks with an *I*.

A Brown Bay Mare, branded on her near Buttock thus ( ) has ſome Saddle Spots on each Side of her Back, a long Switch Tail, and is a natural Pacer.

And a Brown Bay Mare, branded on both her Buttocks with a Horſe Shoe, and has had ſome Pieces cut out of her right Ear.

The Owner or Owners may have them again, no proving Property, and paying Charges.

To be Sold, for ready Money, or ſhort Credit,

THREE Lots of Ground, lying in *Annapolis*, and at preſent in the Poſſeſſion of Mr. *Richard Burdus*, with the Dwelling Houſe and Out Houſes, and all the other Improvements, ſuch as Paling, Fencing, &c. which at preſent are in good Repair.

For Title and Price apply to

Robert Swan.

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Their humble Servant,

Nathan Hammond, Sheriff of *Anne Arundel* County.

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Numb. of Prizes.		*Pieces of Eight.*		*Total.*
2	of	100	are	200
3	of	50	are	150
3	of	30	are	90
6	of	20	are	120
10	of	15	are	150
20	of	10	are	200
50	of	5	are	250
612	of	3	are	1836
1	firſt drawn			7
1	laſt drawn			7
798	Prizes,			3010
1042	Blanks,			
1750	Tickets at 2 Pieces of Eight, are			3500
			For the public Wharf	490

By this Scheme there is not one Blank and a half to a Prize.

As there is nothing more wanting than a public Wharf in the Town, where the Trade is greatly increaſed within a few Years, it is not to be doubted but People will readily Adventure in this Lottery, who are Well-wiſhers to the Proſperity of the Town and Province.

Many of the Tickets being already engaged, it is ſuppos'd the Lottery will be full in a very ſhort Time, of which public Notice will be given, and of the Time of Drawing.

A Liſt of the Prizes will be publiſhed in the *Maryland* Gazette, as ſoon as the Drawing is compleated.

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